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PLENARY POWERS FOR VICEROY

Royal Instructions Suspended For War Period

SIMLA, Sept. 20.

The 'Gazette of India', publishes instructions passed by the King under the Royal Sign Manual and signed by the Governor-General of India and thereby amending the instructions issued to him on March 8, 1937, as under: —

"Whereas it is expedient, owing to the conditions created by the hostilities in which we are now engaged, to amend our said instructions:—

Now, therefore, we do by these our instructions under our Royal Manual declare our will and pleasure to be as follows:—

It is our will and pleasure that our Governor-General shall not regard himself bound by the injunction contained in Paragraph XIII of our said instructions if on any occasion when under that Paragraph it would fall to him to submit for the signification of our pleasure any Bill if he is satisfied that conditions created by the present war have rendered it impossible or inexpedient that he should act in accordance therewith.—A. P.

Paragraph XIII of the Instructions mentioned in the foregoing announcement says:

"The special responsibility of our Governor-General for securing in the sphere of Executive action any of the purposes which the provisions of Chapter III of Part V of the said Act (Government of India Act) are designed to secure in relation to legislation shall be construed by him as requiring him to differ from his Ministers if in his individual judgment their advice would have effects of the kind which it is the purpose of the said Chapter to prevent, even though the advice so tendered to him is not in conflict with any specific provision of the said Act."

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STOP PRESS

CHINESE TROOPS ON INDO-CHINA BORDER

HONG KONG, Sept. 20.

General Nishihara, head of the Japanese "Inspectorate" in Indo-China said that Japan had demanded from the French "certain facilities for operations against the Chinese armies" none of which affected French sovereignty or territorial integrity."

Chinese political circles in Chungking suggest that Admiral Decoux has been resisting pressure from the Petain Government as well as from the Japanese who have been in touch with Vichy throughout the negotiations. According to reports from Chungking, over 200,000 first class Chinese troops are taking up positions on the Indo-China border where all bridges have been blown up. It was officially announced this morning that Chinese military authorities had taken over a section of the Indo-China Railway traversing the Chinese territory.—Reuter.

THREE ITALIAN WAR CORRESPONDENTS CAPTURED

CAIRO, Sept. 20.

Three Italian war correspondents were captured by British troops during the most recent fighting in the Western desert. In a talk in Cairo to-day with British war correspondents, they said they had been in Libya for six weeks. They lost bearings when trying to find the Italian camps and strayed into British lines. The correspondents confirmed that the Italian troops were strictly rationed with regard to water.—Reuter.

INDO-CHINA'S "NO" TO JAPAN

Hanoi Talks Deadlock: Situation Critical

SINGAPORE, Sept. 20.

WELL-Informed quarters here assert that the Franco-Japanese negotiations have definitely broken down and the situation is critical.

DEMANDS REJECTED

Admiral Decoux, Governor-General of French Indo-China, is reported to have rejected the new Japanese demands presented yesterday, says a Hongkong message.

JAPANESE RECALLED FROM INDO-CHINA

HONG KONG, Sept. 20.

It is understood that the Japanese ultimatum followed Gen. Decoux's rejection of Japanese demands for military rights in French territory.

A Chungking dispatch says that the demands included "the right of way" for 25,000 troops to the Chinese border and the establishment of naval and air bases. Gen. Decoux was previously reported to have agreed to the passage of a limited number of troops.

All Japanese subjects in Indo-China have been ordered to return home. Singing the Japanese National Anthem hundred of them marched through the streets of Hanoi to board a train for Haiphong, their port of embarkation. They were headed by the Japanese Consul-General, Mr. Suzuki.—Reuter.

EARLIER CABLES

HONGKONG, Sept. 20.

It is stated in authoritative quarters here that the Japanese have presented Indo-China with a seventy-two hour ultimatum expiring at midnight on Sunday.

No official confirmation is hitherto available.

DELICATE STAGE REACHED

BUCHAREST, Sept. 20.

The right to send troops across and establish bases in Indo-China are reported to form part of the demands made by Japan to the Hanoi authorities.

According to a Hanoi message the negotiations have reached a delicate stage.

JAPANESE STORY

No reference to the Hongkong report of the Japanese ultimatum to Indo-China was made at a Japanese Foreign Office Press Conference to-day. The negotiations between the Japanese and French authorities at Hanoi were stated by a Foreign Office spokesman to be going on "very smoothly."—Reuter.

Japanese Shell Br. Steamer

And Held Up Outside Port Of Haimen In Yangtze Delta

SHANGHAI, Sept. 20.

The British steamer "Marie Moller" 493 tons was struck by a shell fired from a Japanese warship, while anchored in the Yangtze Delta port of Haimen this afternoon. There was no casualties.

The steamer immediately left port, but she was held up and detained outside by the Japanese.—Reuter.

REOPEN BURMA ROAD

Over Million People In Britain Support Demand

LONDON, Sept. 20.

The China Campaign Committee has written to Mr. Churchill stating that a 1,300,000 people in Britain have informed the Committee that they support a demand for the immediate unconditional re-opening of the Burma Road.—Reuter.

SOVIET FLEET STAGES SHAM BATTLE IN PACIFIC

TOKYO, Sept. 20.

Simultaneously with the staging of army manoeuvres in Western Russia, the Soviet Pacific Fleet has also been engaged in sham battle practice, according to a Moscow despatch to the Domei News Agency.

The Soviet naval operations are reported to have included night minelaying operations and night battle practice against theoretical enemy squadrons advancing against the main Soviet Naval base.—Reuter.

Pacific Defence Problems

Washington Talks On Joint Use Of Bases In Africa, Singapore & Australia

NEW YORK, Sept. 20.

According to the Washington Correspondent of the "New York Times" the question of joint use of naval and air bases in South Africa, Australia and Singapore was discussed in conversations in Washington between Britain, Australia and the United States.

The report adds that the diplomatic sources say that no formal alliance in the usual sense is being considered.—United Press.

LONDON CONFIRMS IT

LONDON, Sept. 20.

It is confirmed in London that talks are proceeding in Washington between Lord Lothian, Mr. Cordell Hull and Mr. Casey on matters of mutual significance, which are understood to include Defence measures in relation to the Pacific.—Reuter.

In 1803 Napoleon planned an invasion of England. Dies for a medal to be distributed in London after an expected victory were prepared in Paris. Medal (face) showed head of Napoleon; (reverse) Hercules overthrowing a Merman. It bore the legend: "Struck in London 1804".

Why Mahatma Sees Viceroy

WARDHA, Sept. 20.

Mahatma Gandhi has issued he following statement:—

"I see from press comments that the main purpose of my contemplated visit to H. E. the Viceroy is being missed.

It is well that I should not be misunderstood as to the purpose of my visit. Assuming that the interview is granted, I do not go to hold a pistol at the Viceroy's head, if the contemplated Civil Disobedience is to be taken as such. But I go, as I explained in my speech before the All-India Congress Committee, in order to make sure that I am right in the inferences I have drawn from the acts of the Government commencing from the Declaration of His Excellency the Viceroy. If the premises on which the Congress case is built are wrong, there is no case for Civil Disobedience, I would not be able to approach my task with confidence and firmness, unless I made myself sure of my facts and conclusions to be deduced therefrom."—A. P.

Viceroy's Reply To Mahatma

According to authoritative Congress circles in Bombay, there is no basis for the report appearing in a Madras English Daily that the letter addressed by Mahatma Gandhi to the Viceroy, prior to the former's departure from Wardha, related to the remarks made by Sir Maurice Hallet, Governor of the United Provinces. The letter, it is understood, referred to the ban on volunteer organisations.

Nor is there any basis, according to Government circles, for the report appearing in the same paper that a reply from the Viceroy was directed to Gandhiji through the Government of Bombay.

Gandhiji's latest letter to the Viceroy seeking an interview was posted in Bombay so as to reach the Viceroy by the week-end. The interview, if granted, will come off between the 25th and 30th of September.

RAJAJI TO MEET MAHATMA

WARDHA, Sept. 20.

Mr. C. Rajagopalachariar arrived here to-day to discuss with Mahatma Gandhi future programme of the Congress in light of the Bombay A. I. C. C. resolution. He left for Sewagram and will return in the evening.—A. P.

NEW ORDER FOR AFRICA TOO

BERLIN, Sept. 20.

"The new order in Europe will include the continent of Africa," says Goering's "National Zeitung" in an article on Herr von Ribbentrop's visit to Rome.

It adds: "The campaign of the southern Axis partner outsider Europe shows clearly that the new order will not be limited to Europe. Africa belongs to the Mediterranean and European influences reaching as far south as Cape Town have been a decisive factor for Africa's development."—Reuter.

NEW CLOG IN NAZI WHEEL

Petain Unwilling To Sign Peace With Hitler?

LONDON, Sept. 20.

The impression is growing stronger that the whole of France may soon be occupied by Germany.

This will be the result of the growing pro-British feeling in France, and it may have an important effect on the possibility of an invasion of Britain.

The reason for extended occupation of France is also stated to be the unwillingness of the Vichy Government to sign peace with Germany.—United Press.

STARVATION RATIONS FOR FRANCE!

Severe rationing is to be introduced both in occupied and non-occupied France. French people will be allowed twelve ounces of bread a day, twelve ounces of meat a week and monthly supplies of eighteen ounces of sugar and cheese less than two ounces. Ten thousand agents have been appointed to enforce the rationing system.—Reuter.

REVOLTS IN MOROCCO

Reports of revolts among French troops in Morocco are treated with reserve in London, Reuter understands.

It is noted that rumours that trouble has broken out come from enemy sources probably with the intention of creating a situation which would induce the Spanish Government to take action in support of Axis Powers.

There is little doubt, however, that in Morocco there is considerable sympathy for the Free France Movement, which is likely to increase in the course of time owing, among other things, to increasing dissatisfaction with the German Armistice terms, especially in their economic pressure on Colonial France.

It is pointed out, however, that the British Government has taken no action which need cause anxiety in Spain.—Reuter.

Franco Demands Price For Civil War

SUNER MISSION MYSTERY CLEARS UP

Danube And Spain Figure In Axis Talks In Rome

BERLIN, Sept. 20.

THE extreme significance of the Rome talks is stressed in a Rome message to the German News Agency. The message says that the Danube problem and relations with Spain are among the questions discussed.

RIBBENTROP MEETS MUSSOLINI AGAIN

Von Ribbentrop had another interview with Sgr. Mussolini this evening lasting an hour. Count Ciano was also present, says a Rome message.—Reuter.

SPANISH-GERMAN TRADE PACT

MADRID, Sept. 20.

Owing to the prolongation of von Ribbentrop's stay in Rome, Senor Suner is not returning to Berlin from the Western Front until Sunday. He and von Ribbentrop will continue their talks on Monday, Senor Suner told the A. B. C. Correspondent.

SPAIN'S REWARD FROM PEACE

The impression fostered by the Spanish press is that Senor Suner is telling Berlin what Spain wants from Peace as a reward for winning the civil war which they regard as the first phase of the European conflict.

For instance, one newspaper today carried the headline "Spanish Sacrifice of three Years Will Bear Tangible Fruit in Europe."

TRADE AGREEMENT

The Berlin correspondent of "Alcazar" states, however, that Senor Suner and von Ribbentrop will meet again only to sign a Spanish-German Trade Agreement which has been under discussion for some time. The conclusion of such an Agreement would, of course, be a logical sequence to a great extension of trading possibilities caused by the collapse of France.—Reuter.

SPANISH MINISTER IN BRUSSELS

BERLIN, Sept. 20.

Senor Suner arrived in Brussels this morning on a tour of occupied territories, says the Official German News Agency.

A reception was given to him by General von Falkenhausen, Commander-in-Chief for Belgium and Occupied France.—Reuter.

DIRECT TRAIN SERVICE

LONDON, Sept. 20.

A direct goods-train service between Germany and Spain 'via' German-occupied frontier territory has been arranged, according to a German radio announcement. Trains will cross the Spanish frontier at Hendaye and Irun.—Reuter.

Egypt Can't Stand By

CAIRO, Sept. 20.

"Egyptians as one man must defend their independence and drive the enemy from their territories", declared Ahmad Mahir Pasha, President of the Chamber of Deputies, in a speech at Mansura. He said: "We cannot stand by as onlookers while a struggle deciding our fate continues."—Reuter.

HITLER AND MUSSOLINI TO MEET AGAIN

LONDON, Sept. 20

It is reported that Sgr. Mussolini and Hitler are meeting again shortly.

This decision, according to the "News Chronicle", was taken at yesterday's meeting between Herr von Ribbentrop and Sgr. Mussolini at Rome.—United Press.

ROME-BERLIN HITCH?

LONDON, Sept. 20.

Difference of opinion between Germany and Italy about the future of the Eastern Mediterranean, it is believed, was the main reason for the sudden dash of von Ribbentrop to meet Sgr. Mussolini in Rome.

It is learnt that the future of Egypt led to heated discussions between Count Ciano and Herr Hitler at their last meeting, and from information available, they are still unable to hit at any common policy.

Although Count Ciano is reported to be anxious to make concessions to the Nazi attitude, Sgr. Mussolini refuses to abandon any of his dreams of an African Empire. According to the dreams, Mussolini intends to over-run Egypt, Palestine and parts of Syria and Iraq. The Italians in Cairo make little secret of their intention to turn Egypt into an Italian colony.

On the other hand, Nazi Fifth Columnists in Cairo are making propaganda for the establishment of a "new economic order" in Egypt.—United Press.

RUSSO-GERMAN DEAL TO EXPLOIT TURKEY?

ANKARA, (By Mail).

According to "Universal", Bucharest, a deal is rumoured to have been completed between Russia and Germany by which Turkey will be compelled to cede Kars Province to the Soviet for the protection of Baku and the oil fields, refineries, and pipelines of Caucasia. The newspaper, while admitting that these reports emanate from German circles in the Balkans, says, "Russia is also to be given a free hand in Northern Iran. Turkey, forced to accept the role of a German protectorate, would under this arrangement become the base for German air parachute attacks against Iraq, Syria and Palestine, while the Italians will attack across Egypt."—Islamic Press.

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Bombay, 20th September, 1940.
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and
In the matter of THE INDUSTRIAL AND PRUDENTIAL ASSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED and reduced.

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a Petition was on the 20th day of September, 1940, presented to the Hon'ble the Sitting Judge in Chambers by the abovenamed Company to confirm the alteration and extention of the Company's objects proposed to be effected by a Special Resolution of the Company duly passed at an Extra-Ordinary General Meeting of the said Company held on the 11th day of July, 1940, and which Resolution runs as follows:—

"That the provisions of the Memorandum of Association of the Company with respect to the Company's objects be altered by omitting paragraph (p) of Clause 3 of such Memorandum of Association and by substituting therefor the following paragraph:—

(p) 'To invest the moneys of the Company in granting loans on its own policies on single or joint security and particularly to the artisans, workmen and labouring class, wage earners, and to Industrial concerns large or small on such approved securities as may be fixed by the Board of Directors of the Company from time to time or in or upon the purchase of immovable properties of a free-hold tenure or of any other tenure equivalent to a free-hold tenure situate in British India or in or upon the purchase or first mortgages and charges by way of mortgage of leasehold properties for a term of years situate in British India provided that fifty years at least shall be unexpired at the date of such investment and the ground rent in respect thereof shall not exceed one quarter of the annual letting value with liberty in case of leasehold properties to waive the production of the Lessors title, or in the purchase of Securities or loans issued by or under the authority of the Government of Mysore State, or in the purchase of Securities or loans issued by or under the authority of any other Indian State or States provided that such purchase is approved by a unanimous decision of the Board of Directors and provided further that the purchase of such Securities and loans is necessary for making deposits to enable the Company to carry on its business in such State or States, or in the purchase of any debentures or other Securities for money issued by or on behalf of any Borough or Municipality governed by the Bombay Municipal Borough Act XVIII of 1885, or in the purchase of shares of Imperial Bank of India or the Reserve Bank of India or in the purchase of debentures or preference shares (which secure preference both as regards interest and capital) of the Bombay Telephone Company, Ltd., The Bengal Telephone Corporation Ltd., The Bombay Electric Supply and Tramways Co., Ltd., The Tata Hydro Electric Power Supply Co., Ltd., The Tata Power Co., Ltd., or the Andhra Valley Power Supply Co., Ltd., or in the purchase of such debentures, debenture stock or preference shares or ordinary shares of joint stock Companies as may from time to time be decided upon by the Directors, but the investments referred to in this Clause shall at no time exceed two-thirds of the capital and funds of the Company.'"

AND NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that the said Petition is directed to be heard before the Hon'ble the Sitting Judge in Chambers, on MONDAY, the 14th day of October, 1940, at 11 O'clock (S.T.) in the forenoon or so soon thereafter as Counsel can be conveniently heard, and any person interested in the said Company whether as a creditor, policyholder or otherwise, desirous of opposing the making of an order for the confirmation of the said alteration and extension under the above Act, should appear at the time of hearing, by himself or his Counsel, for the purpose and a copy of the said Petition will be furnished to any such person requiring the same by the Company's Attorneys, Messrs. Amarchand and Mangaldas, Lentin Chambers, Third Floor, Dalal Street, Fort, Bombay, on payment of the regulated charges for the same.

Dated this 20th day of September, 1940.
AMARCHAND & MANGALDAS,
Attorneys for the Company.
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NOTICE.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN on behalf of our client DULLABHRAM MORARJI, the Executor of the last Will and Testament of the late Purohit Labhshankar Damodar that all the title deeds relating to the immovable property, situate at Borivli (East) Bombay Suburban District admeasuring about 2,370 square yards being the final Plot No. 29 of Town Planning Scheme No. II Borivli and the buildings standing thereon have been Lost or Misplaced by the late Bai Jekorbai, widow of the said deceased.

All persons having any claim in respect of the said property or the said Lost or Misplaced title deeds of any kind or nature whatsoever are hereby required to make the same known in writing to the undersigned at 80, Mahatma Gandhi Road, Fort, Bombay, within 8 days from the date hereof otherwise the same shall be considered and treated as waived or abandoned.

Dated this 20th day of September, 1940.
DABHOLKAR & JESHTARAM,
Solicitors, High Court.
(3432)

Legal Notices

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT BOMBAY.

ORDINARY ORIGINAL CIVIL JURISDICTION.

Suit No. 298 of 1939.

RATANSEY KHIMJI PATEL
..... Plaintiff.
vs.
MAHOMED MIYA HAJI ALLI MAHOMED BATLIWALLA
..... Defendant.

PURSUANT to the Decree Absolute for Sale, dated the 11th April, 1940, the following immovable property will be sold by Public Auction by the Commissioner of this Honourable Court at the premises on Saturday 5th October, 1940, at 4-30 P. M. (S.T.).

PARTICULARS.

ALL That piece of Malki land at Vikroli, Bombay, Suburban District, admeasuring 2321 Square Yards or thereabouts. The village not being surveyed, land measured by Dhap Fara is 5 1|4—|, assessment Rs. 3-2-0 and bounded on the East by land of Mr. John Allas, on the West by Agra Road, on the North by land of Khot Saheb and on the South by land of Simov Alles Patel and which land is in the possession of the Vendor.

For further particulars and conditions of sale, application should be made at the Office of the said Commissioner or at the Office of Messrs. POPATLAL & Co., Attorneys for the Plaintiff abovenamed at No. 23-25, Hamam Street, Fort, Bombay.

Dated this 20th day of August, 1940.
ARMOND F. SEQUEIRA,
Offg. Commissioner.
(3424)

NOTICE.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that BHAVANISHANKAR SADASHIV WAGH and SADASHIV BHAVANISHANKAR WAGH, both of Santa Cruz Hindu Inhabitants have contracted to sell the undermentioned property to our client.

ALL persons having any claim against or to the said property by way of inheritance, mortgage, sale, gift, lease, lien, charge, trust maintenance, easement or otherwise howsoever are hereby required to make the same known in writing to the undersigned at their Office "Fort Chambers A', Hammam Street, Fort, Bombay", within 14 days from the date hereof, otherwise the sale will be completed without reference to such claim and the same, if will be considered as waived.

THE SCHEDULE OF THE PROPERTY

ALL that piece or parcel of land or ground, containing by admeasurement 1,200 square yards or thereabouts being a part of the Plot No. 20 of the Santa Cruz Town Planning Scheme No. 1, situate at Pherozshah Road, Santa Cruz and bounded on or towards the East by the Railway Line Road, on or towards the West by the Pherozshah Road on or towards the North by a part of the said Plot No. 20 belonging to the Vendors and on or towards the South by the property of Sanmukhlal C. Saraiya and another.

Dated this 20th day of September, 1940.
KAPADIA & SHROFF,
Purchaser's Attorneys.
(3426)

NOTICE.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned intends at the expiration of fourteen days from the publication hereof to apply to the Commissioner of Police, Bombay, for the transfer of the Dancing Licence No. 1 of 1940 granted to me in respect of premises No. 1, Ground Floor, Sea View, Bandra, Bombay, to the premises No. 1, Ground Floor, Sea View, Bandra, Bombay.

Dated this 21st day of September, 1940.
Sd. ANTHONY D'SOUZA.

IN THE HIGH COURT OF BOMBAY.

In Insolvency.

NOTICE OF INTENTION TO DECLARE DIVIDEND.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Official Assignee of Bombay intends to declare dividends in the following estates as mentioned below:—

Serial No.	Insolvency No.	Name of the Insolvent.	Dividend intended to be declared.
1	787 of 1936	Re: Vishnu Bhiwa Bhalekar	FIRST
2	77 „ 1938	„ Ralph O'Neil	„
3	407 „ 1938	„ Jaywant Sheshgiri Wagle	„
4	202 „ 1939	„ Keshrimal Jasraj Sha, Shesmal Jasraj Sha and Pukraj Jasraj Sha traded as Nathmal Shesmal & Co. and as Nathmal Mohanlal & Co.	„
5	441 „ 1937	„ Dattaram Dadoba Mhatre	FIRST & FINAL
6	132 „ 1938	„ Augustine Dharmai	„
7	836 „ 1936	„ Bhicaji Dhondoo Parab	SECOND
8	541 „ 1937	„ James Leonard Williams	„
9	522 „ 1934	„ Innocent David	THIRD
10	68 „ 1932	„ Kanmarth Kunhi Ananth Nambiar	FOURTH
11	540 „ 1937	„ Gundo Babaji Tilve—a firm.	Specific and preferential distribution.
12	110 „ 1938	„ J. Popatlal & Co. a firm.	„

Creditors who have not proved their claims are requested to do so in the office of the undersigned within fourteen days from the date hereof. If they fail to do so, their claims will be excluded and the undersigned will proceed to declare a dividend in the respective estates as stated above without regard to such claims.

All persons having claims against the Official Assignee in the abovementioned estates in respect of costs, charges, expenses, rent, lien or otherwise are hereby requested to notify their claims to the undersigned forthwith, if they have not done so already. All such claims must be sent to the undersigned within fourteen days from the date of this advertisement. On expiry of the said period, the assets in the above estates will be distributed and the claims received after that period will not be recognised.

Bombay, dated this 12th day of September, 1940.
Official Assignee's Office,
High Court, Bombay.
R. S. BILIMORIA,
Official Assignee of Bombay.
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Public Notices

INDIAN STORES DEPARTMENT.

TENDER NOTICE.

THE CONTROLLER OF PURCHASE, Indian Stores Department, Bombay, invites tenders for the supply of rope steel flexible galvanised.

Tender form (No. BH. 1841) may be obtained from him on payment in cash of Rs. 4/- per set.

Tenders will be received upto the 3rd October, 1940, and will be opened at 12 noon on the 4th October, 1940.

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THE NEW INDIA ASSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED, BOMBAY.

NOTICE HAVING BEEN GIVEN of the loss of policy numbered 24927 on the life of Chouduri Rattan Singh of Jullundur City now in Bombay, a duplicate policy will be issued unless objection is lodged with us within one month from this date.

S. B. CARDMASTER.
Life Manager.

Dated 20-9-40. Bombay.

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Legal Notices

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT BOMBAY.

ORDINARY ORIGINAL CIVIL JURISDICTION.

Suit No. 1641 of 1938.

Messrs. NATHUJI TEKAJI & Co., a firm ..... Plaintiffs.

versus.

KRISHNARAO SHAMRAO MURANJAN and another. ..... Defendants.

PURSUANT TO THE DECREE Absolute for Sale, dated 12th October, 1939 and Judge's Order dated 28th June, 1940 the following immovable property will be sold by Public Auction by the Commissioner, High Court, at his Office in the Court House on WEDNESDAY, 2nd October, 1940 at 4 P.M. (S.T.).

All that piece of Quit and Ground Tenure land with the messuage, tenement or dwelling house standing thereon, situate in First Carpenter Street, Bombay, admeasuring 121.7/9 sq. yds. or thereabouts and bearing Collector's Old No. 1698, New No. 8822, Old Survey No. 475 and New Survey No. 5221 and Cadastral Survey No. 3079 of Bhuleshwar Division and Municipal "C" Ward No. 6562 and Street Nos. 69-71.

For further particulars and conditions of sale application should be made at the Office of the said Commissioner or at the Office of Messrs. THAKORDAS DARU HEMANY AND Co., Attorneys for the Plaintiffs abovenamed at No. 65, Esplanade Road (now called Mahatma Gandhi Road) Fort, Bombay.

Dated this 22nd day of August, 1940.

(Sd.) ARMOND F. SEQUEIRA,
Offg. Commissioner.

(3422)

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT BOMBAY.

ORDINARY ORIGINAL CIVIL JURISDICTION.

Suit No. 1266 of 1938.

Bai NARBADABAI, wife of Ratilal Mohandas Parekh. ..... Plaintiff.

vs.

Bai RAKHIABAI, mother of Abdul Kadar Bavla ..Defendant.

PURSUANT TO DECREE Absolute for Sale, dated 20th March, 1940, the following immovable property will be sold by Public Auction by the Commissioner of this Honourable Court at his Office in the Court House on 9th October, 1940, at 4 P.M. (S.T.)

PARTICULARS.

All that piece of land of the quit and ground rent tenure with buildings thereon at Parel Road, Bhendy Bazar, Bombay, admeasuring 412 1/3 Square Yards or thereabouts and bearing Collector's New Nos. 8676 and 8677, New Survey No. 4524, Cadastral Survey No. 4343 of Bhuleshwar Division, Municipal C Ward No. 81 of Street Nos. 596-598-600 and 2 and 18.

For further particulars and conditions of Sale, application should be made at the Office of the said Commissioner or at the Office of Messrs. BHAISHANKER KANGA and GIRDHARLAL, Attorneys for the Plaintiffs abovenamed at Albert Bldg., Hornby Road, Fort, Bombay.

Dated this 27th day of August, 1940.

ARMAND F. SEQUEIRA,
Offg. Commissioner.

(3405)

Auction Sales

SALE OF ONE STUTZ CAR.

Under instructions from Mr. Turab Hoosein Bandeally appointed agent of the plaintiff under suit No. 669 of 1939 (Hazir Hussein Vazirali vs. Anwar F. Laljee) under terms of consent Decree dated 21-6-1939 Messrs. SORABJEE COWASJEE & CO., will sell by Public Auction on WEDNESDAY, the 2nd October, 1940, at 4 P.M. at their Sale Rooms at 123, Medows Street.

One luxurious Stutz Car No. W 3548.

On view before the sale at the Central Garage, Bandra, (near the bridge and opposite the mosque), and at the Auctioneers' Rooms on the day of sale.

Cash in full immediately on knocking the lot to the buyer and the car to be removed immediately after the sale.

SORABJEE COWASJEE & CO.

VORA & CO.

AUCTION SALE TO-MORROW (SUNDAY) at 10-30 A.M. (S.T.) at Mahavir Jain Vidyalaya Building, Gowalia Tank, Near Tram Terminus, of complete Household furniture, Cottage Piano, Milner safe, Remington Typewriter, Gramophone, Singer Machine, Chesterfield sets, Portable typewriter, etc.

CRAWFORD & CO.

AUCTION SALE OF PROPERTY SITUATE AT RANDER.

Under instructions from the Official Assignee of Bombay and the Assignee of the estate and effects of the insolvent Esuf Ajam Pipardi, a partner of the firm of Haji Ajam Gulam Hussein & Co., insolvents, Messrs. CRAWFORD & CO., Auctioneers will sell by Public Auction on THURSDAY, 3rd October, 1940, at 3-0 P.M. (S. T.) at their rooms at 122, Apollo Street, Fort, Bombay, the right, title, interest and share of the above insolvent in the undermentioned property.

All that piece of land situate at Shah Bhagol and Balapir, Kasba Rander, District Surat, together with a bungalow standing thereon and garden bearing Survey No. 212B, 213 and 216, and bounded on the North by public road from Shah Bhagol to Adajan, on the South by Mahomed Arif Moola's Wadi and Anavil Vidyarthi Ashrama's Vajifa, on the East by Kasba Panchayet's Vajifa and Nakhoda Wakf's Vajifa and on the West by public road from Rander to Adajan.

For further particulars apply to,

CRAWFORD & CO.

THE BANK OF INDIA, Limited.

ESTABLISHED: 1906

Capital Subscribed .....Rs. 2,00,00,000
Capital Paid-up .....Rs. 1,00,00,000
Reserve Fund .....Rs 1,13,00,000

HEAD OFFICE:
ORIENTAL BUILDINGS, BOMBAY.

INVEST IN GOVERNMENT OF INDIA DEFENCE LOANS

The Bank of India, Ltd. Head Office, Bombay, and Branches will assist its clients desiring to invest.

A. G. GRAY,
Manager.

N. Y. K. LINE

BOMBAY-JAPAN VIA PORTS

Steamers.	Arrive. Bombay.	Leave. Bombay.	Leave. Colombo
OKITU MARU	8 Sept.	23 Sept.	——
ATAGO MARU	1 Oct.	16 Oct.	——
x*SUWA MARU	12 Oct.	13 Oct.	15 Oct.
*KASIMA MARU	14 Oct	24 Oct.	27 Oct.
TOKIWA MARU	28 Oct.	11 Nov.	——

*Passenger Steamer. x From Europe.
Other Passenger Services are:—
Hongkong-S'Frisco via Japan & Honoluiu, Japan-Seattle via Vancouver, Japan-Australia. Japan-South America (West Coast)

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'Phone: 22041. Telegrams: "Yusen."

On The Air

SATURDAY, SEPT. 21.

Bombay I & II Programmes

244 metres (1,231 kc/s)

7-30 a.m. News in Marathi. 7-40 News in Gujarati. 7-50 Yoga on the Air. 8 Keep fit! 8-10 to 8-40 As in Delhi 2. 8-40 News in Hindustani. 8-50 News in English. 9 to 9-30 As in Delhi 2.

244 metres (1,231 kc/s)
31.4 metres (9,550 kc/s)

12 noon to 12-57 p.m. As in Delhi 2. 12-57 News in Hindustani. 1 to 1-30 As in Delhi 2. 1-30 News in English. 1-35 to 2 As in Delhi 2.

244 metres (1,231 kc/s)
61.48 metres (4,880 kc/s)

5 p.m. Tomorrow. 5-5 Indian music. 5-25 News in Marathi. 5-30 News in Gujarati. 5-35 Indian music. 6 News in English. 6-5 News in Hindustani. 6-10 Indian music. 7 to 7-30 As in Delhi 2. 7-30 Commercial news. 7-45 Indian music. 7-55 News in Marathi. 8-10 News in Gujarati. 8-25 to 8-30 Indian music. 8-30 to 9 As in Delhi 2. 9 News in Hindustani. 9-20 News in English. 9-30 B B C News relay. 9-50 to 10-30 As in Delhi 2.

Delhi I—Programme

338.6 metres (886 kc/s)

5 p.m. Anwar Bai. 5-20 Pazir Khan. 5-30 Afzal Husain. 5-45 Vilayat Khan. 6-15 Zohra Jan. 6-30 Bismillah and party. 6-45 Maqsood Anwar. 7 Rag Siddhi. 7-45 For villagers only. 8-30 Books I have been reading. 10 Sidelights on the war. 10-5 Maqsood Anwar. 10-20 Bismillah and party. 10-30 Vilayat Khan. 10 45 Zohra Jan.

Delhi II—Programme

60.48 metres (4,960 kc/s)

5 to 7-45 p.m. As in Delhi 1. 7-45 Bashir Bai. 8-5 Manohar. 8-15 Zohra Jan. 8-30 to 8-45 As in Delhi 1. 8-45 Bismillah and party. 9 to 9-30 As in Delhi 1. 9-30 Vilayat Khan. 9-45 Afzal Husain. 10 to 10-5 As in Delhi 1. 10-5 Aziz and Manohar. 10-20 Zohra Jan. 10-30 Maqsood Anwar. 10-45 Bashir Bai.

Calcutta I—Programme

370.4 metres (810 kc/s)

(Add 24 minutes to all timings for Calcutta time.)

5 p.m. Banglar Sadhak, 2, 5-15 Protiva Gupta. 5-30 Hemen Das Gupta. 5-50 Gouri Sen. 6-5 Biresh Chandra Roy. 6-20 For rural and industrial areas. 7 The Jantri Sangha. 7-10 Mohammad Hossain. 7-25 Subol Das Gupta. 7-45 The idle hour. 8 Paarvati. 9 New records. 10 Dance music.

B. B. C. Programme

(19.30 to 22.00 GSD GSI GSF GSG GSV GST and GSJ throughout)

19-30 Gerald Dance Orchestra on GSD, GSI, GSV, GSJ and GST. 20-00 See 12-45. 20-30. Welsh Guards Band. 21-00 Feature "President Masaryk."

COLOMBO SHARES & RUBBER

COLOMBO: Sept. 20.

Price of rubber in the local market was 55 1/2 sheet, 52 1/2 crepe. Yesterday's closing was same. Copra 27.50. Cocoanut oil 205.00. Business done.

Share Market, Sept. 19:—Nahavilla 12, Stratheden Tea 16 1/2, Theberton Ceylon Tea -/40, Clunes 8 3/4, Langas Rivers Elango Rubber 15 3/4, Tutnmeeselango Rubber 11 1/2, Gonsadika 1/90, Kandyan Hills 11 1/2, Lugaloya Tea Rubber 5 3/4, Mayen Ceylon Tea Rubber 10 1/4, Ypata Tea Rubber 19 1/2, Rayigam 13 1/2, Saffragam Rubber Tea 95, Warriapola 6, Wellandura Tea Rubber 18, Trafford Hill 5 3/4.

Commercial Companies: British Ceylon Corporation 5, Ceylon Theatres 15.

PRECIOUS METALS.

Bombay: Sept. 20.

The following are the weekly quotations for the Precious Metals:—

	Per cent.	Per tola.
Platinum Elephant Brand	100	Rs. 75
Platinum Elephant Brand	97	Rs. 68
Platinum Anchor Brand	25	Rs. 20
Palladium	100	Rs. 50
Iridium	100	Rs. 200
Osmium	100	Rs. 70
Ruthenium	100	Rs. 90
Rhodium	100	Rs. 250

BOMBAY METALS

Bombay: Sept. 20.

Yellow Metal Sheet ..... Rs. 65
Copper Sheets ..... Rs. 66
Tone:—Steady.

PEPPER AND GINGER PRICES

Bombay: Sept. 20.

(The Pepper and Ginger Merchants' Association, Ltd.) Rs.as.ps.

Pepper ready Alleppey per candy ...79 0 0
Pepper Maha Sud 12 per candy 82 4 0
Ginger ready bleached per cwt 15 0 0
Ginger Maha Sud 15 per cwt 13 8 0

BANK OF ENGLAND WEEKLY RETURNS

	London, Sept 19 This week
Total bullion	£ 1,100,000
Public deposits	10,900,000
(a) Other deposits	181,000,000
Government securities	157,800,000
(b) Other securities	27,000,000
Notes and coin	25,100,000
Notes in circulation	606,008,000
Ratio of reserve to liabilities	13.09 p.c.
(a) Other deposits include bankers	128,800,000
(b) Other securities include discounts	3,700,000
Total deposits	181,900,000
Total securities	184,800,000

RAILWAY TIME TABLE

G. I. P. Railway.

	Arr. H.M.	Dep. H.M.
Calcutta Mail (via Chheokl)	9-35	20-15
Madras Mail	6-00	22-00
Peshawar-Lucknow (Express)	6-15	22-45
Calcutta Mail (via Nagpur)	9-05	18-06
Madras Express	10-15	14-30
Poona Mail	10-30	17-30
Punjab Mail	12-30	17-40
Nagpur Express	15-00	21-00
Poona Fast Passenger	16-50	11-50
Poona Express	19-32	9-05

B. B. and C. I. Railway.

	Arr. H.M	Dep. H.M.
Ahmedabad Passenger	5-35	13-50
Delhi Express	6-00	22-15
Kathiawar Mail	6-46	21-30
Gujarat Mail	7-25	22-00
Frontier Mail	3.15 (*Mon.)	21-15 (Sat.)
The Flying Ranee Surat	9-48	15-10
The Flying Ranee, Surat (Except Monday)	10-58	
The Flying Ranee, Surat (Except Saturday)		18-05
Ahmedabad Passenger	14-15	22 30
Kathiawar Express	18-45	9-45
Baroda Passenger	20-37	9-00

*If Monday is a Bank holiday this train will run on Tuesday.

Active Trade Buying On N. Y. Cotton Exchange

LARGE DEMAND FOR TEXTILE GOODS

Distant Positions Hardening Owing To Attractive Price Level

BOMBAY: SEPT. 20.

WHILE IT REMAINS TO BE SEEN WHETHER NEAR MONTHS ON THE NEW YORK COTTON EXCHANGE BILL QUOTE OVER THE 9 1/2 PER CENT LEVEL, THE ATTENTION OF THE MARKET IS CENTERED OVER DISTANT MONTHS OWING RELATIVE CHEAPNESS.

WE EXPECT DISTANT MONTHS WILL BE NEAR ABOUT 10 CENT PRICE ON MATURITIES.

Bombay: Sept. 20.

It was often told that distant months in the New York cotton market being relatively cheap are expected to influence better support and now summer months are advancing rapidly than near months.

Some time it was held that this year the American cotton crop being a large one, there would be plenty of cotton available eventually. But this expectation does not find any support as arrivals of the new American cotton are going into Government loans and there is scarcity of offerings. This fact is now being realised and prices are steadily advancing.

NEW YORK MARKET

The New York cotton market was influenced by heavy buying of cotton goods.

The market opened steady. There was price fixing in nears and domestic and Mill buying and some speculative buying for distants. There was October liquidation and Southern hedge selling which was well absorbed.

Later on there was scarcity of offerings and with renewed trade buying and short covering prices advanced. The market was very steady.

At the opening December was quoted one point up at 9.37 and closed at a rise of 7 pts. at 9.43. October fluctuated between 9.42 and 9.37. The session closed at a rise of 2 to 11 pts. Spot cotton prices advanced 2 pts. at 9.85c. per lb.

NEW ORLEANS MARKET

The New Orleans cotton futures market was fairly steady with improved buying and closed at a rise of 4 to 9 pts. Spot cotton prices closed unchanged at 9.50c. per lb.

LIVERPOOL MARKET

The Liverpool cotton market opened at a decline of one point with October 7.79. The market was dull and narrow. Later on there was trade buying and local support which hardened near months and scattered hedging was well absorbed. The market closed at a net rise of 4 pts. to unchanged. Middling American spot cotton prices advanced 6 pts. at 8.38d. per lb.

EGYPTIAN COTTON

Egyptian cotton was also very steady with improved buying. Uppers futures closed 13 to 10 pts. up and Giza futures gained 16 to 12 points.

PRIVATE CABLES—

New York October 9.42+03; lowest 9.37—02 (12-24 p.m.)

Liverpool October highest 7.84+04; lowest 7.79—01.

Messrs. Chunilal Mehta and Co. Ltd. have received to-day the following cable information from their foreign friends:—

New York.—Price fixing. Shorts covering. Trade buying all months. Selling mostly limits.

Messrs. Patel Brothers have received the following cable from one of their New York friends:—

Most cotton going loan. Hedges probably continue light unless prices advance. Recommend buying distants here and scale down.

NEW YORK COTTON

New York: Sept. 19.

October	9.41+02
December	9.43+07
January	9.32+05
March	9.33+11
May	9.14+09
July	8.93+09
Middling Spot	9.85+02

NEW ORLEANS COTTON

New Orleans: Sept. 19.

October	9.46+04
December	9.47+05
January	9.33+07
March	9.34+09
Middling Spot	9 50

NEW YORK COTTON

New York: Sept. 19.

	11 a.m. Ranges.	Noon Call.
October	9.38/9.38	9.37
December	9.38/9.38	9.37
March	9.25/9.25	9.25

NEW YORK COTTON DAILY STATISTICS

New York: Sept. 19.

Day's receipts at all U S Ports 20,000 bales
Day's exports to Great Britain Nil.
Day's exports to the Continent Nil.
Day's exports to China and Japan Nil.

LIVERPOOL COTTON

Liverpool: Sept. 19.

September	8.00+04
October	7.84+04
November	7.71+05
December	7.62+04
January	7.53+03
February	7.42+02
March	7.32+02
April	7.24+01
May	7.17+01
June	7.09
July	7.02
August	6.99
September	6.96
Middling Spot	8.38+06

11 a.m. QUOTATIONS

October	7.80

INDIAN STOCK EXCHANGE

Bombay: Sept. 20.

With a steady buying support the market showed a considerable improvement in today's session. Opening Rs. 10 higher at 1665 Tata Deferreds advanced at one time to 1685 closing finally at 1680. The Ordinaries which stood at 326 yesterday, opened at 327/8 and were done upto 330/8 Among Textiles, Bombay Dyeings came in for a fair amount of business between 885 and 900. Indian Irons were somewhat better at 28/12.

The following are the important quotations on the Exchange to-day:—

Tata Deferreds (1685) 1665 1662/8 1675 1673/12 1685 1680

Tata Ordinaries (326) 327/8 327 330/8

Bombay Dyeings (885) 885 890 887/8 900.

Tata Ordinary 330/8, Tata Deferred 1680, Indian Iron 28/12, Bombay Dyeing 900, Century 261/4, Central India 252/8, Kohinoor 322/8, Associated Cement 115, Bombay Burma 517/8, Scindia Steam 19. Tata Hydro 173/2, Reserve Bank 101, Imperial Bank F P 1460, Central Bank 36/2, Bank of India 132/8, 3 1/2 per cent Paper 90/2.

GOLD AND SILVER

Bombay: Sept. 20.

The local market was fairly steady with a moderate buying and prices are hardening.

Yesterday London Gold was steady at £8/8/0. Dollar/Sterling cross rate was 4.02 1/2 to 4.03 1/2 at London and 4.03 3/4 at New York.

London Silver was unchanged with spot 23 7/16d and forward quotation was lowered 1/8d. at 23 5/16d. There was little speculative selling and business was very small. The market was quiet but steady.

New York spot silver was unchanged at 34 3/4 cents per ounce and Shanghai T T on London was quoted 3 1/2.

London/Bombay spot silver parity was Rs. 61/8 and forward was Rs. 61/3/5. In the local market there was moderate buying and tone was steady. Quotations were as under:—

	GOLD	SILVER
Ready	Rs. 41 15 6	62 15 5
Bhadrapad	Rs. 41 15 6	62 15 0
Aso.	Rs. 42 0 6	62 15 6

LINSEED & WHEAT.

Bombay: Sept. 20.

The local market was fairly steady to-day. The Government is buying Linseed at the fixed rate of £12/10/0. Wheat was also steady. The general feeling is optimistic and quotations were as under:—

	Rs.as.ps.
Linseed Sept.	5 8 9
Linseed May	5 14 9
Wheat Sept.	3 15 0
Wheat January	3 15 6
Wheat May	3 13 9

GROUNDNUTS & SEEDS.

Bombay: Sept. 20.

	Rs.as.ps.
Castorseeds September—	
Opening	34 0 0
Highest	34 8 0
Lowest	34 0 0
Closing	34 8 0
Castorseeds may—	
Opening	35 6 0
Highest	35 12 0
Lowest	35 6 0
Closing	35 12 0
Groundnuts February—	
Opening	28 4 0
Highest	28 13 0
Lowest	28 4 0
Closing	28 12 0
Cottonseeds September—	
Opening	25 2 0
Highest	25 3 0
Lowest	25 2 0
Closing	25 2 0
Cottonseeds January—	
Opening	20 6 0
Highest	20 8 0
Lowest	20 4 0
Closing	20 7 3

TEJI-MANDI PREMIUMS

Bombay: Sept. 20.

Groundnuts Febry.	3 12 0
Castorseeds May	6 8 0
Cottonseeds January	2 2 0
Silver Aso.	1 4 0
Gold Aso.	0 8 0

BOMBAY COTTON

Bombay: Sept. 20.

The persistent selling in the local cotton market despite steady rise in New York market came to an end. There was moderate buying but some option business done is likely to hold the market.

Following a rise of 7 pts. in New York cotton futures the local market opened today at Rs. 196/8 for Broach A/M delivery and advanced to Rs. 198 on professional buying. Later on there was scattered realising and the market was steady at Rs. 197/8.

It is reported that this year Chinese cotton crop is poorer and there could be more demand for Indian cotton.

Later there was improved buying and Broach A/M was quoted at Rs. 199. Some professional operator was covering recent sales. Liverpool market opened at a rise of one point and there was some realising in the local market and Broach A/M reacted to Rs. 197/12. There was further scattered selling and prices closed at 5 p.m. as under:—

F G M G Broach April/May .....Rs. 197/12
Fine M G Oomra Dec/Janry .....Rs. 176/4
F G M G Bengal Dec/Janry .....Rs. 141/8

READY COTTON QUOTATIONS

Bombay: Sept. 20.

	Ready.	Delivery Contract New Crop. Nov.	Dec.	Jan.
Bengal Fine	147/49	+8	+5	+4
Berar	179/81	+12	+5	+3
C. P. 1	178/87	+22	+16	+13
C. P. 2	180/81	+16	+10	+8
Khandesh	173/76	+5	Par	—4
Muglai	176/76			
Broach	189/91			

HIGH AND LOW COTTON PRICES

Bombay: Sept. 19.

	Highest	Lowest	Closing at 4-30 p.m.
Broach A/M	197	194 1/4	196
Oomra D/J	176	173 1/2	173 1/2
Bengal D/J	142	139 1/2	139 1/2

COTTON PARITY

Broach A/M below Liverpool May 269 penny points at Exch 1/6

Broach A/M below New York May 159 cent points at Exch 331

EGYPTIAN COTTON

Liverpool: Sept. 19.

	UPPERS	GIZA 2
Spot	12.38—0	13.20—0
October	11.85+13	12.87+16
December	11.31+13 Nov.	12.06+16
January	10.63+10	11.59+13
March	10.33+10	11.12+12
May	10.22+10	11.03+12
July	10.07+10	10.81+12

AMERICAN COTTON FIGURES

F P Bales	1940-41	1939-40
Receipts to date 19-9-40	723000	1182000
Receipts yesterday 19-9-40	20000	49000
Export to date 19-9-40	116000	551000
Stock at Ports 13-9-40	2700000	3387000
Stock at interior towns 13 9-40		
Stock at Liverpool 13-9-40		
Visible Supply 13-9-40		
Quantity in sight 13-9-40	893000	1705000
Quantity out of sight 13-9-40		

INDIAN COTTON FIGURES

Bombay: Sept. 20.

RECEIPTS INTO BOMBAY OF INDIAN COTTON

In full-pressed bales. Yesterday. Since 1st Septr. This year. Last year

Khandesh	30	1,063	
Central India		835	
Barsi and Nagar	29	3,733	
Hyderabad/Gaorani			
Berar	13	1,706	
Central Provinces		221	
Total Oomras	72	7,550	
Dholeras	93	344	
N.-W. Provinces		1,235	
Rajputana		1,061	
Sind-Punjab	8,825	2,982	
Broach			
Coompta & Dharwar	77	2,280	2,380
Westerns-Northerns	394	2,184	1,062
Cocoanada			
Tinnevelly and Cambodia			
Total	471	13,454	16,614

Arrived by road to 8th Sept. 1940 .....

GOVERNMENT SECURITIES

Bombay, Sept. 20.

2-3/4 per cent 1948-52 Loan 95-12
3-1/2 per cent G P Note 99-5
3 per cent 1941 Bond 101-6
3 per cent 1951/54 Loan 96-12
3 per cent 1963/65 Loan 90-4
3-1/2 per cent 1947/50 Loan 101-14
4 per cent 1960/70 Loan 105-7
4 per cent 1943 Bond 104-8
4-1/2 per cent 1955/60 Loan 110-1
5 per cent 1940/43 Loan 100-2

TAX FREE LOANS

5 per cent 1945/55 Loan 112-2
4 per cent 1953/63 Mysore 108-0
6 per cent Mysore 1959 118-0

CORPORATION DEBENTURES

4 per cent B P T 1974 103-8
4 per cent M. Deb. 1974 103
5 per cent M. Deb 1959 110-0
6 per cent M. Deb 1954 121
6 per cent K P T 1956 121

Tone:—Steady.

MONEY MARKET

Bombay: Sept. 20.

LONDON:—

B. C. RATES:—

T T D D 1/5 15/16 to 19th March
Bank's selling T T D D 1/5 31/32 to 19th March.
Bank's buying T T 1/6 1/32 to 19th March
Bank's buying D D 1/6 3/32 One month
Bank's buying 3 months 1/6 1/4 Two months

NEW YORK:—

Bank's selling T T 333 1/8
Bank's buying T T 330
Bank's buying D D 328

JAPAN:

Bank's selling T T 81 1/4 nominal
Bank's buying T T 77 nominal
Bank's buying 60 days 76 1/4 nominal

JAVA:—

Bank's selling D D 65 3/4

HONGKONG:—

Bank's selling D D 84 3/4

SHANGHAI:—

Bank's selling D D 22 1/2

SINGAPORE:—

Bank's selling D D 157 3/4

CROSS RATES:

Hongkong/London 1/3 1/32 20th inst
Shanghai/London 0/3 3/4 20th inst.
New York/London 4.03 3/4 19th inst.
London/Java 7.58/62 19th inst.
London/New York 4.02 1/2-3 1/2 19th inst.
London/Switzerland 17.65/75 19th inst.
London/Stockholm 16.85/95 19th inst.
London/Japan 1/2 1/2 19th inst.
London/Canada 4.45/47 19th inst.
Tone of Sterling Exchange: Quiet
Gold £8/8/0 19th inst.
Silver London Ready 23 7/16 19th inst.
Silver London Forward 23 5/16 19th inst.
Silver New York Ready 34 3/4 18th inst.
London Discounts 3 months 1 1/16 per cent 19th inst.
London Discounts 6 months 1 1/4 per cent 19th inst.
Reserve Bank Rate 3 per cent.
Bank of England Rate 2 per cent
Money: Call No demand.
3 Months 1/4 per cent.
6 Months 3/4 per cent
Tone:—Very easy.

INDIAN STERLING LOANS.

London: Sept. 19.

INDIAN STERLING LOANS—

3 per cent	£ 79 1/8
3 1/2 per cent	£ 91 5/8
3 1/2 per cent 1954/59	£100 1/2
4 per cent 1948/53	£101 1/4
4 1/2 per cent 1950/55	£107 1/4
4 1/2 per cent 1958/68	£110
5 per cent 1942/47	£104
3 per cent 1949/52	£ 96 1/4
2 1/2 per cent British Consols	£ 73 5/8
3 1/2 per cent War Loan	£101 1/8
4 per cent Funding Loan 1960/90	£113

WALL-STREET MARKET

New York: Sept. 19.

Messrs. Batlivala and Karani have issued the following New York Stock Exchange report:—

	Dollars
Amr For Pow 5 per cent 2030	4d
Amr For Pow 7 per cent Pfd	15
Amr Pow and Lt 5 per cent Pfd	44 1/4
Elec Pow and Lt 7 per cent Pfd	35
Elec Bond and Share Common	5 1/2
Elec Bond and Share Dol.5 Pfd	52 3/4
Columbia Gas and Electric	5 1/2
Amr Tel and Tel	162
Int Tel and Tel 1952	28
Sun Life of Canada	260
Western Union Telegraph	19 1/2
New York Central R R	14 1/4
Great Northern Pfd	25
Union Pacific	89
Chesapeake and Ohio	40 1/2
United States Steel	56 7/8
Bethlehem Steel	79 3/4
Crucible Steel	30 1/2
Alleghany Ludlum Steel	21 3/4
Republic Steel	17 7/8
Anaconda Copper Mining	21 5/8
Kennecott Copper	28 7/8
General Motors	48 1/8
Chrysler Motors	77 1/4
Socony	8 3/4
Standard Oil of N J	34 7/8
Consolidated Oil	6 1/4
Texas Corporation	35 7/8
Standard Brands	6 1/4
Australia 5 per cent 1955	55

SUGAR MARKET

Bombay: Sept. 20.

Fine White Java Sugar per cwt—
Shipment September Rs. 8/12 F.B.H.
Indian Sugars Ready—
Ready ordinary Rs. 14/4 to 14/9
Ready large grain Rs. 14/10 to 15/4
Tone:—Quiet.

BOMBAY YARN QUOTATIONS.

HEDGE CONTRACT RATES

Bombay: Sept. 20.

Yarn No.	October	December	February
6-1/2s.	122	124	126
10 1/2s	137	139	141
20 1/2s	170	173	176
40s.	236	238	240

LONDON STOCK EXCHANGE

London: Sept. 19.

Rupee Paper 3 1/2 per cent	£ 66
Indian Stocks—	
3 per cent 1948	£ 79 1/8
3 1/2 per cent 1931 or later	£ 91 5/8
4 1/2 per cent 1950/55	£107 1/4
Consols 2 1/2 per cent	£ 73 5/8
Conversion Loan 3 1/2 per cent 1961	£100 1/8
War Loan 3 1/2 per cent	£101 1/8
Funding Loan 4 per cent 1960/90	£113
Victory Bonds 4 per cent	£110
Chartered Bank of India, Australia and China	£ 6 3/8
Hongkong and Shanghai Bank, London Register	£ 67
National Bank of India	24

LONDON SILVER

London: Sept. 19.

Spot	23 7/16
Forward	23 5/16

LONDON GOLD

London: Sept. 19.

Gold Bars Fine per Oz £8/8/0

LONDON SEEDS

London: Sept. 19.

Rozario Santa Fe 23 January quoted
Barletta Russo unoffered
South Australian 26/9 Sept quoted

LONDON EXCHANGES

London: Sept. 19.

T T London on New York 4.02 1/2-4.03 1/2; Madrid 37.70 seller; Montreal 4.43/4.47; Berne 17.../17.75; Stockholm 16.85/16.96.

BOMBAY STOCK EXCHANGE

Active General Buying And Firm Tone

Bombay: Sept. 20.

The local Share Bazar was firm to-day with general buying which resulted in sharp advance. The special feature of the session was active demand for Cotton Mill shares among which Century shares figured.

There was constant investment support and fairly large Government orders for cotton textile goods cheered up the market.

Yesterday on the Wall-Street market buyers were hesitant after the recent sustained advance. The session was erratic and majority of issues were fractionally higher. The market closed irregular. In the meanwhile, the market agrees with Washington that current Axis discussions cast a hint of frustrated Nazi plans. U. S. Steel shares closed 3/8 up at 56 7/8 and Anaconda Coppers closed unchanged at 21 5/8 dollars.

On the London Stock Exchange business was brighter in final stages after quiet opening. Gilt-edged improved on better demand while Gold Minings were supported quietly.

The local market after the recent decline was technically in a healthy state and naturally there was scarcity of offerings. The undertone was very good.

Century shares were strong and recorded a rise of Rs. 15 at Rs. 265. Bombay Dyeings looked up to Rs. 905. Nagpurs improved Rs. 2 at Rs. 252. Colabas advanced to Rs. 142/8. Gokaks hardened to Rs 185 and Morarji Mill shares closed at Rs 182. Kohinoors hardened to Rs. 326.

Associated Cement shares were quietly steady, but Hydro Electrics were firm. Tata Powers rose Rs. 25 at Rs. 1395 and Hydros closed at Rs. 171.

Tata Steel Defds advanced to Rs. 1682/8 and Ordinary shares closed at Rs. 330/8. Bombay Burmas closed at Rs 520 and Scindia shares closed at Rs. 19/1.

ACTIVE SHARES AT A GLANCE

Bombay: Sept. 20.

Bombay Dyeing (902/8) 900 905 Oct 900 905 910 906 912 908
Century (250) 252 265 Oct 252 265 268 267
Central India (250) 250 252 Oct 250 252
Kohinoor (314/8) 316 320 323 324 326 Oct 320 325 327
Swadeshi (215) 216 217/8 224 Oct 218
Associated Cement (115) 114/12 115 115/12 Oct 115/12
Andhra (1560) 1565 1580 1570 Oct 1570
Tram Ord (127/12) 127/12 128/8 128/4
Tata Hydro (170) 170 170/8 173 172 171 Oct 173
Tata Power (1370) 1372/8 1367/8 1392/8 1397/8 1395 Oct 1380 1402/8
Tata Steel Defd (1655) 1660 1662 1660 1667 1680 1682/8 Oct 1660 1680 1690
Tata Steel Ord (326/8) 326 327 328 330 330/8 Oct 326/8 327 330 332/8
Bombay Steam (260)
Bombay Burma (517/8) 520 517/8 518/12 515 517 520 Oct 517/8 515 517/8 520.

TEXTILE SHARES

Bombay, Sept. 20.

100	Ahmedabad Advance	260	0
250	Bombay Dyeing	905	0
100	Century	265	0
100	Central India	252	0
100	Colaba	142	8
100	Cooria	93	12
250	Davia	345	0
1	E. D. Sassoon Def.		
100	Finlay	130	0
100	Gokak	185	0

NEW YORK COTTON THREE POINTS UP

COTTON:

LATEST NEW YORK COTTON PRICES
DECEMBER 1940

New York, Sept 20

Previous closing	9.43
To-day's opening	9.44
Difference	+01
To-day's closing	9.46
Difference	+03

BROACH EXPECTATION
Broach April/May ..... Rs. 198

LIVERPOOL COTTON
OCTOBER 1940

Liverpool, Sept 20

Previous closing	7.84
To-day's opening	7.85
Difference	+01
To-day's closing	7.83
Difference	—01

NEW YORK COTTON
New York, Sept 20

The New York cotton was moderately active on scattered local and trade buying influenced by better Bombay cables but latterly reactionary trend developed on some hedging.

The trading in December began at 9.44 i.e. one point higher than the last closing. Prices advanced on trade and local buying but enquiry soon trailed off with December falling to 9.42.

The following were opening ranges on New York Cotton Exchange :—
October (9.39/38) 9.42/42
December (9.37/37) 9.44/43
March (9.25/25) 9.34/34

The following are opening rates on Liverpool cotton market :—
American October (7.82) 7.84
American January (7.52) 7.54
Egyptian Giza November (11.90) 11.99
Egyptian Giza January (11.16) 11.28

LONDON COMMODITIES
SEEDS.
London, Sept 20
Castorseeds September October (£17 3/4 quoted) £17 3/4
Linseed Bombay Calcutta September October (£16 1/4 quoted) £16 1/4
Linseed La Plata September (£12 quoted) £12
Groundnuts Coromandal September October (£14 5/8 quoted) £14 5/8
JUTES
Dundee September (£30) £30
Lightning September (£28) £28
RUBBER
Spot (11 7/8d paid and buyers) 11 7/8 paid and buyers
Forward January March (11 3/4d buyers) 11 11/16 paid and buyers
METALS
Tin (£247 buyers; £247 1/2 sellers. Firm) £247 1/2 buyers; £248 1/2 sellers. Firm.
Electric Copper (£62) £62
Lead Foreign Cash (£25) £25
Glasgow Iron No. 3 (123 sh.) 123 sh.

MADRAS SHARE MARKET

Good Enquiry In Textiles

MADRAS, Sept 20

A fair amount of business resulted in planting shares in the local stock exchange market. Government securities and Banks remained firm and good buying enquiry was visible in textile shares. Amongst miscellaneous issues Indian Iron and Steel Corporation were fairly steady whilst strong buying enquiry was visible in Indian Steel Rolling Mill shares.

Transactions reported from 12 noon 19th instant to 12 noon 20th instant :

Bank of Hindustan 21; Mettur Industries 106 small odd lot; Madura Mills 33; Kaleeswarar 259; Periakaramalai 16/10 and 17 cd; Be Rubbers 3/2 xd; Chambras 3/1; United Nilgiri 111/8; Highlands 24/8; Nilgiri Neerugundi 1; Travancore Sugars 13/8; Indian Steel Rolling ord 7/2 small lot; do pref 9/1 small lot, 9/4; Singareni Collieries 9/6.

Palestine Demand For Indian Silk Scarfs

CALCUTTA, Sept 20

The prospects of a good market for Indian Silk Scrafs in Palestine, if prices are competitive and the stuff is satisfactory, are held out by the Indian Government Trade Commissioner at Alexandria, in a communication to the Director-General of Commercial Intelligence and Statistics in India.

The Trade Commissioner, it is stated, has received an enquiry from a commercial firm in Toulkrem in Palestine, who want to be put in touch with manufacturers in India. The requirements of the firm will at present amount to between fifteen hundred to two thousand pieces, but if the prices are competitive and the stuff is satisfactory they may require ten to twelve thousand such scrafs annually.—A.P.

EXCHANGES:

CROSS RATES
T. T. NEW YORK ON LONDON
New York, Sept 20

Previous closing	4.03 3/4
To-day's opening	4.03 3/4

T. T. LONDON ON NEW YORK
London, Sept 20

Previous closing	4.02 1/2 to 4.03 1/2
To-day's opening	4.02 1/2 to 4.03 1/2
To-day's closing	4.02 1/2 to 4.03 1/2

T. T. LONDON ON PARIS
London, Sept 20
T T London on Paris not quoted

LONDON SILVER CABLE
London, Sept 20
The following cable was received from London :—
Market quiet and featureless.

LONDON SILVER
London, Sept 20
Spot (23 7/16d) 23 7/16d nil
Forward (23 5/16d) 23 5/16d —1/16

LONDON GOLD
London, Sept 20
Gold Bars Fine per ounce (£8 8 0) £8 8 0

LONDON EXCHANGES
London, Sept 20
London Exchange opened with the sterling dollar at 4.02.50 to 4.03.50 which is officially fixed rate.

CROSS RATES
London on Bombay (T.T.) 1/6
Paris on Bombay (unquoted) unquoted
New York on Bombay (30.32) 30.32
New York on Milan (unquoted) un quoted
London on Shanghai (0-3 3/8 to 0-3 3/4) 0-3 11/32 to 0-3 11/16
London on Kobe (1-2 to 1-2 1/2) 1-2 to 1-2 1/2

DISCOUNTS
3 months (1 1/32 to 1 1/16 per cent) 1 1/32 to 1 1/16 per cent
4 months (1 1/16 to 1 1/8 per cent) 1 1/16 to 1 1/8 per cent
5 months (1 1/4 to 1 1/4 per cent) 1 1/4 to 1 1/4 per cent

BULLION AND SEEDS
Bombay Sept 20
There was no trading during the night session.

CALCUTTA STOCK EXCHANGE

Moderate Business With Renewed Buying

CALCUTTA, Sept 20

General condition of the market ruled somewhat steadier to-day due to renewed buying operations. Speculative stocks of Jute, Coal and miscellaneous industrials have recorded moderate business all round. Teas showed no material changes and Government securities kept steady and unchanged.

The following were the closing quotations :

Government securities : 3 per cent loan 1941 101/9; 3 per cent new loan 1963/65 90/7; 3 1/2 per cent Government Paper 90/4; 3 1/2 per cent loan 1947/50 101/15; 4 per cent loan 1960/70 105/7 small lot; 5 per cent loan 1945/55 112/4.

Bank : Reserve 101/8.

Cottons : New Victoria ord 1/4; Dunbar ord 155.

Coals : Amalgamated 25 small lot; Bengal 327 small lot; Bhalgora 4/6; Burrakur 13/6; Central Kurkend 12/4; Dhemo Main 13/8; Equitable 31/12; New Beerbhoom 15/4; Searsole 3/12.

Jutes : Agarpara 21; Anglo-India 294/8; Baily 211/8; do pref 142; Barnagore 90 small lot; Birla 21; Budge Budge 320; Craig 1/2; Chitavalsah 6/8; Howrah 47/8; Hukumchand 6/4; do pref 92; Kamarhatty 428; Kanknarrah 345; Naskarpara 14/8; National 20/6; New Central 270 ex div: Reliance 50; Standard 266 small lot.

Miscellaneous : Burma Corpn 5/1; Indian Copper 2/1; Rhodesia Copper annas 15; Dalmia Cement defd 1/10 small lot; Bengal Chemical ord 344 small lots; Arthur Butler pref 11/8; Britannia Building and Iron 8/12; Burn and Co ord 353; Hukumchand Steel ord 8/8; do defd 2/5; Indian Iron 28/13; Steel Corpn ord 16/14; B I Corpn ord 4/5; Calcutta Trams ord 13/1; Indian Wood Products 25/11; Mysore Paper 12/7 small lot; Titaghur Paper ord 15/13; Hastimara Tea 37; Tezpore pref 12/8.

Debenture : 4 1/2 per cent 1936/86 Clive Buildings 101.—A.P.

KARACHI PRODUCE MARKET

KARACHI, Sept 20

Cotton Sind January	.....	17	6 6
Punjab January	.....	14	14 3
FFFF January	.....	21	15 0
Tone :—Steady			
Wheat September	.....	28	3 9
November	.....	28	5 6
January	.....	28	10 0
Tone :—Steady			
Gram September	.....	31	7 6
November	.....	31	8 6
January	.....	31	10 6
Toria September	.....	36	1 0
November	.....	36	11 0
Cottonseed September	.....	19	8 0
January	.....	17	5 6

NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE
New York, Sept 20
The following are the opening quotations :—
General Motors (dol 48 5/8) dol 48 1/8
Anaconda Copper Mining (dol 21 7/8) dol 21 5/8
U S Steel Commons (dol 56 5/8) dol 56 1/2
U S Steel Pref. (unquoted) dol 120 5/8

3 1/2 P.C. STERLING LOAN
London, Sept 20
3 1/2 per cent Indian Sterling Loan closed unchanged at £91 5/8.

LONDON STOCK EXCHANGE
London, Sept 20
The London Stock Exchange was mainly firm.

INDIAN LOANS
London, Sept 20
3 per cent Indian Stocks (£96 1/4) £96 1/4
4 1/2 per cent Indian Stocks (£107 1/4) £107 1/4
4 1/2 per cent Indian Stocks 1958/68 (£110) £110
4 per cent Indian Stocks 1948/53 (£104 1/4) £104 1/4
5 per cent Indian Stocks 1942/47 (£104) £104
3 1/2 per cent Indian Stocks 1954/58 (£100 1/2) £100 1/2

AUSTRALIAN LOANS
5 per cent 1958/68 (£103 3/8) £103 3/8
BRITISH FUNDS
2 1/2 per cent Consols (£73 5/8) £73 3/4
3 1/2 per cent Conversion Loan (£100 1/8) £100 1/4
2 1/2 per cent Conversion Loan (£98 1/2) £98 1/2
4 per cent Funding Loan (£112) £113
3 1/2 per cent War Loan (£101 1/8) £101 1/4
New War Loan (£100) £100
4 1/2 per cent Victory Bonds (£110) £110
INDUSTRIALS
Standard Motors (11-0) 11-0
Marks and Spencer Ordinary (35-3) 35-3
Marks and Spencer Ordinary (35-10 1/2) 35-3
Hydro Electric No dealings
Electric Music Industry (6-9) 6-7 1/2
Princhin Johnson (18-0) 18-3
Imperial Chemicals (26-1 1/2) 26-1 1/2
Woolworth New Ordinary (55-6) 55-0
San Paulo 7 per cent Coffee Rates 1939 (£35) £35 1/2
Dundee Rubber (27-10 1/2) 27-10 1/2
Unilever Ordinary (20-6) 20-5
Ford Motors (15-6) 15-6
Cables and Wireless New Ordinary (£50) £50
British American Tobacco Ordinary (78-1 1/2) 78-1 1/2
Carreas 'A' (£4) £4
Imperial Tobacco Ordinary (95-7 1/2) 95-7 1/2
P and O Def (18-10 1/2) 18-10 1/2
Distillers (56-0) 55-9
Bredfords Dye (3-1 1/2) 3-1 1/2
British Celanese (4-0) 4-0
J and P Coates Ordinary (29-6) 29-3
Courtaulds Ordinary (28-0) 28-0
Fine Cotton Spinners (3-1 1/2) 3-1 1/2
Vickers Limited Ordinary (12-7 1/2) 13
Inter Nickel Ordinary No dealings
Indian Iron (41-10 1/2) 41-10 1/2
Donaro Tea (26-3) 27-6
TEA SHARES
Assam (16-3) 16-3
Donaro Tea (26-3) 26-3
Empire of India (18-9) 18-9
JUTE
Barnagore (£8) £8
RUBBER SHARES
Anglo Dutch Rubber (14-9) 14-9
Gula Kelampong (14-4 1/2) 14-4 1/2
Rubber Plant Inv Trust (25-3) 25-3
MINING SHARES
Nandydrug (22-6) 22-6
Burma Corporation (7-6) 7-6
Rio Tintos (£7) £7
East Rand Properties (37-6) 37-4
Rand Mines (£5 7/8) £5 7/8
MINE SHARES
Crown (£12 3/4) £12 3/4
Associated Portland Cement (55) 55
Trinidad Leasehold (68-9) 66-3
Sub Nigel (£8) £8
Spring Mines Split Shares (20-7 1/2) 21 3
Union Corporation (£5 7/8) £5 7/8
OIL SHARES
Venezuela Persian (23-9) 23-9
Anglo India (27-6) 27-6
Burma Oil (45-0) 45-0
Mexican Eagle (4-3) 4-3
Shell Transport (35-0) 35-7 1/2
Royal Dutch No dealings
RAILWAY SHARES
Great Western Ordinary (£28 1/4) £28 1/4
London Midland Ordinary (£11 3/4) £11 3/4
London North Eastern Def (£1 1/2) £1 1/2
London Southern Def (£9 1/2) £9 1/2
London Transport 5 per cent (£114 1/2) £114 1/2
London Transport 'C' £27 1/2) £27 1/2

Iron Merchants Meet Commerce Member

MADRAS, Sept. 20.

A deputation from the Madras Iron, Hardware and Machinery Merchants waited on Sir A. Ramaswami Mudaliar, Commerce Member, Government of India and represented to him among other things the hardship felt by the trade in regard to supplies for internal primary consumers by the Indian manufactures of iron and steel sections, which, the deputationists pointed out, called for the earnest attention of the Government of India.

The Commerce Member heard their representations and promised to give them his best consideration.—A. P.

SWIMMING GALA

An attractive programme of events has been drawn up by the Cricket Club of India for a special Swimming Gala commencing at 10 a.m. on Sunday morning at the Brabourne Stadium Pool in aid of the Bombay War Gifts Fund.

R. Gabrielson, the well-known English Swimmer and ex-Champion will compete in a specially framed handicap race for the Indian record for 100 yds. free style. Among those against him will be H. Mills, R. Williams, N. B. Bhathena and N. O. Clarke.

There are two relay races, one for the Clubs and the other for the Services. Seven Clubs have entered for the Inter-Club Relay including, Bombay Ducks, Golvala Bath, I. M. M. T. S. Dufferin.

Inter-Services Relay entries include the Australian Imperial Forces and a New Zealand Team. Other items are a 3 lengths Medley, 100 yds. breast stroke race and an event for mixed pairs. There will be an exhibition of Diving and the Australian team will give a special demonstration of life saving.

SATIRANJAN MEMORIAL SHIELD TOURNAMENT

The Satiranjan Memorial Shield Tournament, conducted by the Indian Football League, has at last reached its final stage. The Semi-finals between four of the best teams in Bombay will be played at the St. Xaviers College ground, Parel on Sunday (tomorrow), when some thrilling football may be expected.

4-40 p.m. B. B. & C. I. Railway vs. B. E. S. T. (Replay).

5-40 p.m. Y. M. C. A. vs. Bombay City Police.

DAS CHALLENGE CUP
TO-DAY'S MATCHES.

The following matches in the Das Challenge Cup will be played at the St. Xavier's College Ground, Parel, to-day (Saturday).

4-40 p.m. St. Xavier's College "A" vs. "Times of India" (Replay).

5-40 p.m. W. I. A. A. Staff vs. Bengal Club.

WEATHER REPORT

POONA, Sept 20

The following is the maximum and the minimum temperature and rainfall figures recorded at the various stations during the 24 hours ending at 8 a.m. to-day :—

STATIONS.	Temperatures. Maximum.	Minimum.	Rainfall. Past 24 hours.	Total since June 1	Departure from normal.
Chittagong	89	75	2.0	66.7	—4.1
Calcutta	92	75	0.4	42.5	—1.2
Cuttack	93	79	—	56.7	+14.2
Ranchi	88	72	—	41.2	—1.2
Patna	93	80	—	3.9	—2.1
Gorakhpur	96	81	—	28.2	—11.1
Benares	98	80	—	35.5	+2.5
Allahabad	86	79	—	20.4	—11.9
Cawnpore	90	76	1.8	1.6	—14.3
Lucknow	93	76	0.1	28.0	—4.5
Jhansi	92	78	—	29.5	—2.0
Agra	92	74	0.3	5.3	—7.2
Bareilly	91	72	0.7	46.5	+10.1
Dehra Dun	87	65	0.1	53.2	—28.6
Delhi	93	75	—	17.7	—4.0
Ambala	88	74	—	10.1	—2.5
Ludhiana	100	77	—	21.3	+0.1
Lahore	101	75	—	7.7	—6.9
Sialkot	100	78	—	29.1	+7.1
Rawalpindi	99	69	—	21.1	—0.9
Lyallpur	103	76	—	3.4	—7.6
Multan	105	76	—	3.2	—1.8
Srinagar	88	50	—	8.1	+1.0
Peshawar	97	70	—	1.5	—2.9
Dehra Ismail Khan	103	73	—	2.5	—2.3
Rangoon	88	76	0.7	85.1	+15.0
Jubbulpore	90	73	—	44.6	—3.4
Nagpur	89	75	T	60.6	+20.1
BOMBAY	82	74	4.5	90.3	+25.1
Ahmednagar	83	70	0.2	17.8	+2.1
Poona	82	70	1.3	18.6	+0.2
Sholapur	88	71	—	20.4	+1.5
Hyderabad (Dn.)	87	71	0.1	18.2	—4.3
Bangalore	82	61	—	12.9	—4.0
Mysore	81	63	—	16.8	+4.9
Calicut	86	74	0.2	100.6	+15.4
Madras	96	75	0.5	11.6	—2.1
Shillong	76	61	0.3	50.1	—1.6
Darjeeling	58	55	0.9	73.6	+27.2
Simla	69	56	—	39.6	—1.8
Panchmarhi	84	67	0.1	83.7	+16.8
Kodaikanal	68	53	—	1.1	—2.9
Colombo	86	75	0.5	18.9	—0.8
Jacobabad	106	78	—	2.0	—0.2
Hyderabad (Sind)	107	78	—	4.5	—1.4
Karachi	88	74	—	4.6	—1.3
Jaipur	93	76	—	0.3	—5.0
Ajmer	92	74	—	26.9	+9.0
Deesa	99	75	—	16.7	—6.3
Rajkot	100	75	0.7	15.9	—18.0
Ahmedabad	97	80	—	16.4	—10.6
Bhopal	88	73	0.2	40.0	
Akola	89	74	0.2	32.7	+8.1
Amraoti	88	75	—	33.4	+7.4
Malegaon	85	72	0.9	14.3	—2.2
Mussoorie	71	55	0.2	82.3	+13.4
Mahableshwar	65	63	5.6	234.9	—14.1
Baroda	89	77	0.5	17.2	
Belgaum	77	68	0.1	40.3	+3.4
Murree	74	56	—	32.6	—2.3
Cherrapunji	79	64	0.5	247.1	53.5
Bijapur	85	70	—	10.3	—1.8
Dalhousie	76	60	—	55.7	—0.1
Khandala	—	—	—	7.1	204.5
Mount Abu	81	66	0.3	17.6	—9.3
Ootacamund	68	49	—	22.2	—2.9
Jodhpur	99	78	—	10.0	—1.4
Gwalior	88	72	1.6	14.8	

T indicates rainfall from 1 to 4 cents.

THE WEATHER

General Rain Expected In East Gujarat And Konkan

POONA, Sept 20

There has been nearly general rain in West United Provinces, East Rajputana, Konkan, Bombay Deccan, North Hyderabad and Malabar. Local rain has also occurred in Bengal, West Central India, Berar West Central Provinces, East Gujarat and North Madras Coast while a few falls are reported in Assam, Chota Nagpur, East United Provinces, South Hyderabad, South East Madras and Madras Deccan.

The chief amounts of rainfall are : Surat 10 inches; Khandala 7; Mahableshwar 6; Bombay 5; Roorkee 3; Chittagong and Udaipur 2; Silchar, Gwalior, Bhavnagar and Poona 1 1/2; Hazaribag, Mainpuri and Malegaon one; Barisal, Jalpaiguri, Rajkot and Masulipatam 3/4.

Forecast until the evening of the 21st September : There will be nearly general rain in East Gujarat and Konkan. Local rain is likely in South Bengal, West United Provinces, South Rajputana, West Central India, West Gujarat, West Central Provinces, Berar and Malabar while a few falls may occur in Assam, North Bengal, Bihar, Chota Nagpur, East United Provinces, East and North Punjab, North Rajputana, Hyderabad, Mysore, South-east Madras and North Madras Coast.

COLABA OBSERVATORY, BOMBAY

Summary of Meteorological observations during 24 hours ending at 8 a.m. of 20th Sept. 1940 :—
Change of 8 a.m. barometer in past 24 hrs. +.012 inches.
Temperature (dry bulb) at 8 a.m. 80.4 deg.
Temperature (wet bulb) at 8 a.m. 77.4 deg.
Maximum temperature during 24 hrs. 81.6 deg. (3.6 below normal)
Minimum temperature during 24 hrs. 74.0 deg. (1.4 below normal)
Relative humidity at 8 a.m. 87 per cent.
Direction of wind at 8 a.m. S-W.
Velocity of wind at 8 a.m. 12 miles per hr.
Total movement of wind in 24 hrs. 255 mls.
Velocity of maximum gust of wind during 24 hours 41 miles per hour.
Extent of cloud at 8 a.m. (the whole sky cloudy eq. 10) 9.
Rainfall in 24 hours 4.51 inches.
Total rainfall during the month 10.99 inches
Total rainfall during the year 91.66 inches
Weather remarks : Rain.

OFFICIAL BAROMETER READING DATED 20/9/1940

At 8-7 a.m. local time (8-46 a.m. Indian Standard Time) and temperature 81.4 deg. F. a mercury barometer without index error at mean sea level would actually read 29.92 inches and a compensated aneroid 29.72 inches.

For correction of ships' instruments please subtract from the above official barometer reading 0.001" for every foot of elevation of the instrument above mean sea level.

Harijan Week

The Secretary, Bombay Provincial Board, Harijan Sevak Sangh, writes :—

The Bombay Provincial Board of the Harijan Sevak Sangh, have decided to observe the forthcoming Harijan week in a manner befitting the occasion. During the week the sacred message for the removal of untouchability will be conveyed, and collection towards the funds of the Board, will be made by door-to-door visits. The Hindus of Bombay are requested to contribute liberally. The Harijan quarters will also be visited during the week and the grievances of the inhabitants will be enquired into.

DECREE CONFIRMED

Breach Of Promise Of Marriage

(Before the Hon'ble the Chief Justice and Mr. Justice Kania).

Khimji Kuverji Shah ..... Appellant (Original Defendant No. 1).
v.
Lalji Karamsey Raghavji and Ors. .....Respondents (Original Plaintiff's heirs).

This was an appeal from the decision of the Hon. Mr. Justice B. J. Wadia awarding Rs. 1,000 by way of damages for breach of promise of marriage to the plaintiff. The parties to the suit were Hindus (Jains). In 1928, the plaintiff, who was then about four years old, was betrothed to the 1st defendant, who was then 19 years of age. The betrothal was arranged by the plaintiff's mother and the 1st defendant's father. The plaintiff alleged that when in 1936 the plaintiff's brother called upon defendant No. 1 to fix a date for the marriage, the latter backed out of the arrangement, and in 1939 married another girl who was the daughter and granddaughter respectively of defendants Nos. 2 and 3. She, therefore, filed the present suit, through her eldest brother as her next friend, to recover Rs. 10,001 as damage for breach of promise of marriage. As against defendants Nos. 2 and 3 she contended that they had conspired with the 1st defendant and maliciously induced him to commit the alleged breach.

In the trial Court Mr. Justice Wadia held that the 1st defendant had committed breach of his promise to marry the plaintiff and passed a decree for Rs. 1,000 by way of damages for such breach. He dismissed the suit against defendant No. 3, as in his opinion the alleged conspiracy was not proved.

From the decree of the trial court against him, defendant No. 1 appealed. After the filing of the appeal the plaintiff died and her heirs and legal representatives were brought on the record as respondents to the appeal.

JUDGMENTS.

Their lordships delivered separate but concurring judgments dismissing the appeal with costs and confirming the decree passed by the trial court. Their lordships held that the contract of marriage entered into by the mother on behalf of the minor was valid both according to Hindu Law and according to the decision of this court in the case of the Great American Insurance Co., Ltd. vs. Madanlal (37 Bom. L. R. 461), and that the minor could sue to enforce such a contract because it was for her benefit that it was entered into.

Appeal Against Polson Fails

(Before the Hon'ble the Chief Justice and Mr. Justice Kania).

Laxmidas M. Patel .....Appellant (Original Defendant).
v.
Pestonji Edulji Polson .....Respondent (Original Plaintiff).

This was an appeal from an order of the Hon. Mr. Justice Somjee dismissing the appellant's Notice of Motion for setting aside an "ex parte" decree in favour of the respondent for Rs. 5,000 by way of damages.

The parties were manufacturers of butter—the appellant doing business under the name of "The Lord's Dairy Farm" while the respondent's business name was "The Polson Manufacturing Co." The respondent had filed the present suit against the appellant claiming Rs. 25,000 as damages for trade libel regarding the quality and ingredients of his well-known "Polson's Butter." The respondent did not appear to defend the suit and an "ex parte" decree for Rs. 5,000 and costs was passed on 7th December, 1939.

The respondent then filed a Notice of Motion to set aside this "ex parte" decree under order 9, Rule 13 of the Code of Civil Procedure on the ground that he could not appear at the hearing because on that day he was at Agra defending a suit. Mr. Justice Somjee was not satisfied with this explanation but in order to give the respondent one more chance on the merits, ordered that the "ex parte" decree be set aside on the express condition that the respondent deposited the full decretal amount in Court within a certain time. This the respondent failed to do and from that order he preferred the present appeal on the ground that such a condition was unreasonable.

Their lordships dismissed the appeal with costs. Their lordships saw no reason to interfere with the order of the trial judge, which they did not consider to be unreasonable.

The Advocate-General, Mr M. C. Setalvad, with Mr. M. P. Laud instructed by Messrs. Dabholker and Jeshtaram appeared for the appellant. Mr. F. J. Coltman instructed by Messrs. Dastur & Co. appeared for the respondent.

Around The Courts

BOMBAY, Friday.

Ramchandra Gopal, a driver in the employ of the Indo African Dye works, was ordered to be released on bail by Second Additional Magistrate, Mazagaon today.

The driver is alleged to have loaded a lorry belonging to the company with cotton bales for delivery at his company, but, it was stated, he drove the lorry somewhere else and tried to remove some petrol from the tank. In the course of his ingenious operations, it was stated, the petrol caught fire, and a cotton valued at Rs. 5,100 was destroyed. He himself sustained burns and was taken to hospital.

MONEY LENDERS ON ASSAULT CHARGE

Two money-lenders were placed to-day before the Presidency Magistrate, Third Court, on charges of assaulting and causing hurt to a debtor, who was unable to repay his loan of Rs. 2.

Applying for an extension of the bail period of the accused Lalmohomed Mahomed Din and Noormahomed Mahomed, police stated before the Magistrate that the second accused advanced a sum of Rs. 2 to the complainant. As the complainant could not return the loan in time, the accused assaulted him. The first accused, also a money-lender came on the scene and joined in the assault. The police arrived and arrested the two accused. They were then enlarged on bail.

The Magistrate granted the police application.

ALLEGED ATTEMPT AT SUICIDE

Sixty-year-old Mohemadali Essaji was charged before Mr. R. Mathelone, Mazagaon Police Court Magistrate, for the offence of trying to commit suicide.

Essaji is alleged to have stabed himself in the abdomen twice with a penknife with a view to disembowelling himself to death.

He is at present lying in a critical condition at hospital and a police guard is stationed around his bed.

Mr. Mathelone allowed him bail.

291 PROHIBITION CASES IN AUGUST

During August the Bombay City Police dealt with 291 cases under the Prohibition Acts. Of these, 254 were under the Bombay Abkari Act, 23 under the Opium Act, two under the Dangerous Drugs Act, and 12 under the Opium Smoking Act.

The result of the prosecutions was as follows: 167, convicted; 8, warned and discharged: 1, acquitted: 20, action not taken: 1, discharged; 94, pending

GITA CLASS

Swami Sambuddhananda of the Ramakrishna Mission, Khar, will conduct the weekly class on 'Bhagawat Geeta' at the Mission Library Hall, Khar Road to-morrow (Sunday) at 9 a.m.

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The Honourable THE RAJA SIR P. RAMARAYANIMGAR VARU, K.C.I.E., The Raja of Panagal, The Chief Minister to Government of Madras, wrote:—

It gives me great pleasure to state that DEVI PANDIT SIDDHA VAIDYA A. C. CUNNAPPA MUDALIAR, has been treating my daughter who was having temperature and losing condition. The Allopathic Doctors suspected the case to be tubercular. But after the Pandit's treatment, the patient has gained condition and she is now alright. I wish the Doctor all success.

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Local Engagements

To-day

Hindu: Bhadarwa Vad 5, 1996
Muslim: Shaban 18, 1359
Parsi: Farvardin 16, 1310
Hightide: 2-12; 14-03
Lowtide: 8-00; 20-14
Sunrise: 6h. 27m.
Sunset: 6h. 36m.

'F' WARD DISTRICT CONGRESS SATYAGRAHA COMMITTEE

An ordinary monthly meeting of the Council of Management of the Committee will be held to-morrow (Sunday) at 9 a.m. (S.T.) at the Committee's office.

CATHOLIC NIGHT SCHOOL

The annual Thanksgiving Mass in honour of the Infant Jesus will be offered by the Students and Staff of the Catholic Night School, 80, Kolbhat Street, Cheera Bazar, at the Church of St. Francis Xavier, Dabul, on Sunday, the 29th instant at 8-15 a.m. (S.T.).

BHARATIYA VIDYA BHAVAN EXTENSION LECTURE

Shri A. D. Pusalkar, Lecturer in Bhagavata Dharma, Bharatiya Vidya Bhavan, Andheri, will deliver a lecture on "Puranic Cosmogeny" (in English) at 4 p.m. to-day (Saturday) in the Lecture Hall of the University Buildings (South Wing: Ground Floor).

VANGMAYA SEVA MANDAL

Under the auspices of the Mandal, Prof. N. G. Lavande, will deliver a lecture on "The Beautiful" to-day (Saturday) at 5-30 p.m. (S.T.) at Marathi Granth Sangrahalaya, Bhai Jivanji Lane, Thakurdwar. The lecture will be followed by a discussion.

SHRI TATVADYNAN MANDAL

Under the auspices of Shri Tatvadynan Mandal to-morrow (Sunday) at 8 a.m. (S.T.) at Shri Mouni Buwa's Shri Ram Mandir Vaidyawadi, Thakurdwar Road. Prof. S. V. alias Sonopant Dandekar M.A. (Ram Narain Ruia College, Matunga) will speak on "Indian Philosophy" and at 9 a.m. at the same place the annual general meeting will be held when Prof. Dandekar will preside.

IMPERIAL HIGH SCHOOL EX-STUDENTS' ASSOCIATION

Under the auspices of the Imperial High School Ex-Students' Association, Prof. J. V. Bhat of St. Xavier's College will deliver a lecture on "Potentialities of the Microbes" in the School Hall to-day (Saturday) at 5-30 p.m. (S.T.). All the past students of the school are invited to attend.

Amusements Of The Day

CAPITOL—"Mr. Deeds Goes to Town". Daily at 4, 6-30 and 10 p.m.
REGAL—"Four Sons". Daily at 4, 6-30 and 10 p.m.
METRO—"Two Girls on Broadway". Daily at 3-30, 6-30 and 10 p.m.
EXCELSIOR—"Torrid Zone". Daily at 4, 6-30 and 10 p.m.
NEW EMPIRE—"One Million B.C." Daily at 4, 6-30 and 10 p.m.
LAMINGTON—"Reshmi Sari". Daily at 4-30, 7-15 and 10 p.m. Matinee to-day and to-morrow at 1-45 p.m.
PATHE—"Woman". Daily at 3-30, 5-30 and 10 p.m.
ROXY—"Bandhan". Daily at 4, 7 and 10 p.m. Matinee to-day and to-morrow at 1 p.m.
WEST END—"Lapanday". Daily at 4, 7 and 10 p.m. Matinee to-day and to-morrow at 1-30 p.m.
MINERVA—"Bharosa". Daily at 4-15, 7 and 10 p.m. Matinee to-day and to-morrow at 1-30 p.m.
KRISHNA—"Narsi Bhagat". Daily at 3, 6 and 9-30 p.m.
IMPERIAL—"Devyani". Daily at 4-15, 7 and 10 p.m. Matinee to-day and to-morrow at 1-30 p.m.
CENTRAL—"Dnyaneshwar". Daily at 4, 7 and 9-45 p.m. Matinee to-day and to-morrow at 1-30 p.m.

BOMBAY WAR GIFTS FUND

Amount previously acknowledged: Rs. 17,95,360/7/3.
Grand total on Friday Rs. 18,10,635/14/9.

NARSINHRAO DIVATIA GUJARATI MANDAL

A concert in aid of the Divatia Library of the Elphinstone College will be held to-day (Saturday) at 4-45 p.m. in the C. J. Hall. The Hon. Mr. Justice Divatia will preside.

EPIC SOCIETY OF INDIA

With the active co-operation of the Trustees of the Hansraj Karamsey Trust, a Kirtan in Marathi by Smt. Bannu Tai on some Select episodes of Ramayana, has been arranged to be held to-day (Saturday) between 5 and 7 p.m. at the Mankeswara Temple, Hansraj Lane, Byculla, (near Byculla Bridge).

BYCULLA D. C. C.

The meeting of the Managing Council of the Byculla District Congress Committee will be held in the Committee's Office to-day (Saturday) at 8-30 p.m. (S.T.).

C. K. P. SHIKSHAN SAMAJ

The thirty-seventh annual general meeting of the C. K. P. Shikshan Samaj, Bombay, will be held to-day (Saturday) at 4 p.m. at D. L. Vaidya Hall, Ram Maruti Road, Dadar.

GUJARAT RESEARCH SOCIETY

The Educational Standing Committee of Gujarat Research Society desires to undertake work in "Intelligence Tests" suited to Indian conditions. It also wishes to do research work in 'Psycho-analysis'. It is suggested to form an association of Psycho-analysts. All interested in these topics can communicate to the Hon. Secretaries, M. K. N. Bhatia High School, Hornby Road, Fort, Bombay.

YOUTHS' PARLIAMENT

That "In the interests of World Peace, Science should be discouraged" will be the subject of public debate in the Youth Lodge, Blavatsky Lodge, to-day (Saturday) at 6-15 p.m. Prof. D. F. Fredszers will preside.

BOMBAY STUDENTS' UNION

The elimination test of the Inter-School Elocution Competition organised by the Bombay Students' Union will be held to-day (Saturday) at 3 p.m. at the office of the Union, Mantri House opposite Royal Opera House. The final competition will be held on the 26th instant.

SAMAJ SAMATA SANGH

Under the auspices of Samaj Samata Sangh a mass meeting of the workers will be held to-day (Saturday) at 9-30 p.m. in the compound of Nana Chowk, Gowalia Tank. Com. R. D. Aurangabadker will address the gathering.

SARASWAT CO-OPERATIVE BANK

The annual general meeting of the members of the Saraswat Co-operative Bank Ltd. will be held at the Saraswat Brahmin Samaj Griha, Girgaon, Bombay, to-day (Saturday) at 5 p.m. (S.T.).

SCHOOL OF INDIAN MUSIC

The weekly concert of the School will be held to-day (Saturday) at 5-30 p.m. at the School Hall, Vithalbhai Patel Road, Girgaum.

BOMBAY SANGITOPASAK MANDAL

Under the auspices of the Association, Mr. Narayan Ganesh Gokhale will give a musical concert at 9-30 p.m. to-night in the Hall No. 29 of the First Floor of Kesav Bavan, Lady Jamshedji Road, Mahim, Bombay.

BALKAN-JI-BARI

Boys and girls of the Balkan-ji-Bari will go to visit the Jogeshwari Caves and then the Jogeshwari College at the invitation of Principal M. B. Rehman, to-morrow (Sunday) at 8 a.m. A programme of songs, stories, games, etc., will be gone through in the College compound.

BOHRA YOUTH LEAGUE

Under the auspices of the League, a public debate will be held at the League's Hall to-day (Saturday) at 9-30 p.m. The proposition will be that "The students must take part in politics."

BHATIA STUDENTS' UNION

Under the auspices of the Union, Mr. Akshai Kumar R. Desai will deliver a lecture on "Role of Religion in India" at the office of the Bharat Insurance Co., Ltd., Elphinstone Circle near Town Hall, Fort, Bombay at 5-30 p.m. to-day (Saturday).

Incident At Greens'

A correspondent writes:—
A friend of mine invited me to dinner on Friday night at Green's Hotel. The place was full of army men—most of them in mufti—and I know sufficiently of the army to make them out to be non-civilian. After ordering the dinner, we went to the toilet room for a wash. There some of them got abusive, because I was the only person dressed in Indian clothes in the whole place. I asked one of them to repeat what he had said, to which he replied if I wished to fight. I said if that was necessary for my self respect I would. Then he assaulted me and broke my glasses while other three held me. The Military Police walked in, caught hold of me and dragged me out of the hotel. The management was conspicuous by its absence I think the men were not Australians.

GIRNA RIVER FLOODED

The Acting Secretary, W. I. A. A. writes: "I have received a communication from the W. I. A. A. Representative at Jalgaon that the Girna River between Dhulia and Jalgaon on the way to Nagpur is flooded due to heavy rainfall."

BOMBAY FLYING CLUB

With reference to the report published in "The Chronicle" of the 13th instant regarding the accident to an aeroplane belonging to the Bombay Flying Club, we are informed that the aircraft was neither out for a trial flight, nor en-route to Poona, as mentioned, but was in the air for instructional purposes.

Gandhi Seva Sena

Mr. Purshottam Kanji, Hon. Secretary, A. I. S. A. Bombay Branch, writes:—
The members of the Gandhi Seva Sena are going round the Commercial markets in the city selling Khadi Hundies during Gandhi Jayanti. We are sure they will receive a very cordial response from the mercantile community of Bombay.

MAHILA KALA MANDIR

The prize distribution ceremony of the Mahila Kala Mandir will be held to-day (Saturday) at Jinnah Hall at 4-30 p.m. (S.T.) when Mr. Mathuradas Tricumji, Mayor of Bombay, will preside over the occasion and distribute the prizes and certificates to successful candidates.

MUNICIPAL CORPORATION

The next meeting of the Corporation will be held in the Corporation Hall on Monday, the 23rd instant at 3 p.m. (B.T.).

KARNATAKA VIDYARTHI SANGHA

Under the auspices of Karnataka Vidyarthi Sangha, Mr. Gundi Dugappa Shriyan will deliver a lecture on "You and your Family" to-morrow (Sunday) at 9-30 a.m. in the premises of Aga Khan Building, Dalal St., Fort.

Have You Contributed Your Mite?

A momentous session of the A. I. C. C. has just concluded.
A great decision of far reaching consequences has been taken and All-India leaders have explained the implications of the resolutions at various public meetings.
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League Of Radical Congressmen

At a meeting of the Committee of Bombay League of Radical Congressmen held on Wednesday, a resolution was passed criticizing the A. I. C. C. resolution, characterizing it as "falling back in despair on the mystic and semi-religious politics of Gandhism". In the opinion of the Committee "the proper course for the Congress would have been to declare its unconditional readiness to participate in the war against Fascism."

BOMBAY NATIONAL GUARDS

A general parade of the Bombay National Guards will be held to-morrow (Sunday) at 7 a.m. at the Congress House Bombay 4. All the members are required to be present in time.

ANDHERI 'SAHITYA SABHA'

Andheri, Sept. 20.
Under the auspices of the above Society, a public meeting will be held to-morrow (Sunday) at 9 a.m. in the old building of the Andheri High School, when the poet 'Hans' (Blind Poet) will entertain with his songs after a public debate on an interesting subject.
All are cordially invited.

RESERVE BANK EMPLOYEES' ASSOCIATION

The annual general meeting of the Reserve Bank of India Employees' Association will be held to-day (Saturday) at 4 p.m. at the Bank's Counter Section Hall of the Bank. Seth Gordhandas G. Morarji, J.P., will preside.

LECTURE ON VEDANTA PHILOSOPHY

Swami Sambuddhananda of the Ramakrishna Mission, Khar, will deliver a public lecture on 'Vedanta Philosophy' at Baliboi's Accountancy Institute, Prescott Road, Fort, to-day (Saturday) at 3-30 p.m. (S.T.).

HINDU MAHASABHA SECRETARY IN MADRAS

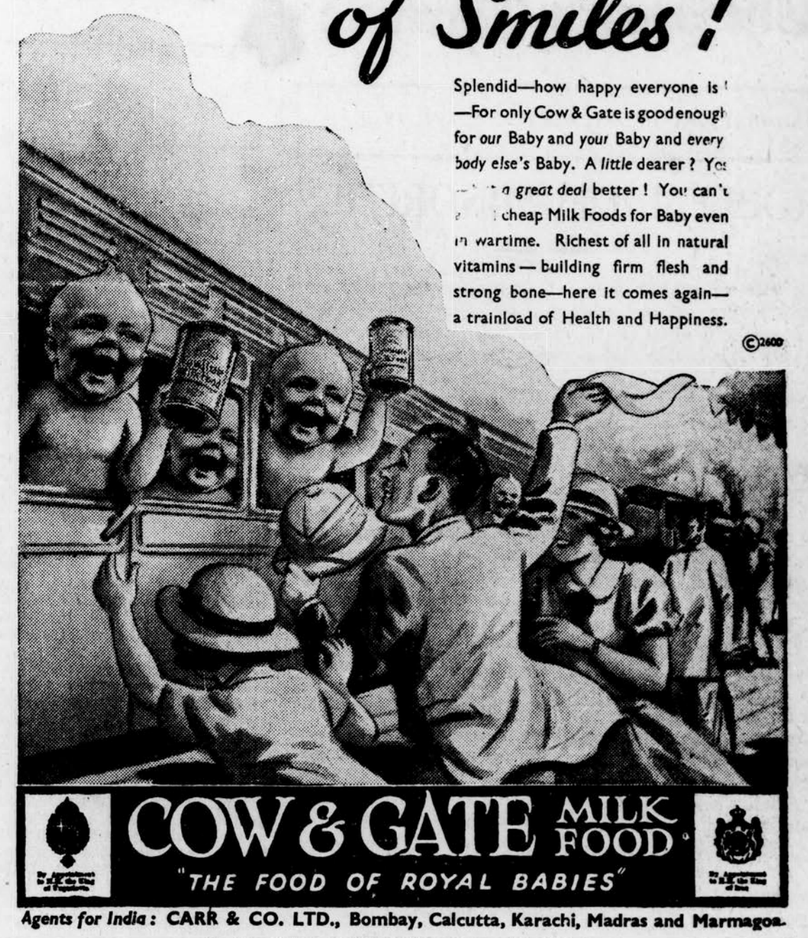
Prof. V. G. Deshpande, General Secretary of the All-India Hindu Mahasabha began his Madras Presidency tour from the 14th instant. His first stay was at Madras.
On Sunday, the 15th September he reached Madras. Mr. Deshpande was received and garlanded amongst the shouts of "Hindu Dharma-ki-Jai", "Veer Savarkar-ki-Jai" and "Deshpande-ki-Jai".
On Monday, Mr. Deshpande paid a visit to the local Ram Sena branch and on Tuesday, the 17th he delivered a public lecture in Gokhale Hall.

HINDU SABHA MEETING AT CHOWPATTY

Under the auspices of the Bombay Provincial Hindu Sabha, and Girgaum and Kalbadevi Hindu Sabhas, a public meeting will be held to-day (Saturday) at 5-30 p.m. on Chowpatty Sands, when Sir Manmath Nath Mukarji and Dr. Gokulchand Narang will speak on the "Present Political Situation". Mr. B. G. Khaparde will preside.

MUSLIM RADICAL PARTY

Two important resolutions have been tabled for discussion in the next meeting of the Council of the Muslim Radical Party to be held on Tuesday next at 5-30 p.m. at 'Moledina House', 144-Samuel Street, Bombay 9.
One of them views with dissatisfaction the Viceroy's statement and its subsequent clarification by the Secretary of State for India, and declares it as unacceptable to the Indian Muslims. The resolution further declares that nothing short of a clear statement on behalf of His Majesty's Government granting Muslim League demand for an Independent Constitution for India based on the Division of India Scheme will satisfy Indian Muslims.
The other resolution welcomes the decision arrived at by the Working Committee of the All-India Muslim League with regard to the Viceroy's statement and Mr Amery's speech, as also the clarification sought for by the Working Committee on various points; but considers the lifting of the ban on War Committees as rather premature and thinks that it had better been postponed till the clarification sought for was found to be satisfactory.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PROBLEM OF MINORITIES

Those who are seriously interested in the study and solution of the minority problem in India will find much valuable material in "Whither Minorities?" by M. N. Dalal (D B. Taraporevala Sons & Co., Bombay, Pages 218). Several larger and more comprehensive treatises have recently appeared on this subject. But the book under review combines the merits of being concise, well-documented and thoroughly practical. As such it is most suitable to the average citizen anxious to make a serious study of this problem. It begins by tracing historically the evolution of the problem in Europe and noting the broad lines of its solution through the Minority Treaties made after the last war, and proceeds to show how far those treaties can be of any use to India. Though the facts and figures quoted in this historical review are of undoubted interest and instruction to us, the author rightly points out that the Indian problem is not at all on a par with the European one, "not only because the minorities in India have not come to us from other States but are a part and parcel of ourselves, the flesh of our flesh and the bone of our bones; but also because there is everything in common between the peoples of India calling themselves followers of different religions and nothing but an artificial canker of jealousy and distrust to divide them."

Basis Of Solution

The author next proceeds to trace the birth of the minority problem in India, with special reference to the Muslims the various attempts made in the past to solve it and the reasons for their failure. But the most useful chapter in the book is the last one which offers a number of helpful suggestions for a lasting solution of the problem. The 'sine qua non' of such a solution, says the author, is "the fullest freedom and toleration for the enjoyment, practice, and development of all forms of religious belief, culture and tradition, consistent with the similar rights of all citizens and the maintenance of public peace and harmony." The author expects that when the undisturbed enjoyment of such freedom has been experienced for some years, the acerbity caused at present by unnecessary and excessive emphasis on religious differences will diminish, and political alliances between members of different communities would then be far more common than they are to-day. As cultural safeguards for the principal minorities the author suggests that the proceedings in the legislatures and local bodies may be conducted in more than one language and may be recorded in more than one script. Questions about the National Flag and the National Anthem are more of national sentiment rather than of religion. Yet for the sake of harmony the author suggests strenuous attempts at a wide agreement on these questions.

The Congress Plan

Many of the author's specific suggestions are sound and helpful. The Congress has suggested that all disputed questions about a minority should be settled by the representatives of that minority in a Constituent Assembly or its equivalent. The author does not make any comment on this procedure nor does he suggest an alternative. But there can be no better alternative to the Congress plan, it being understood that this does not preclude a preliminary settlement calculated either to solve the particular minority problems wholly or to simplify their solution at the Constituent Assembly. We have over and over again urged the imperative need of such a settlement. The Azad Muslim Conference, for instance, is attempting such a settlement and its success will doubtless encourage other principal minorities to do likewise. It is to be hoped that the promoters of these attempts will fully avail themselves of the material to be found in the book like the one under review and several others mentioned in the Bibliographical Note appended to the book.

Gandhiji's Purpose

It appears from Gandhiji's latest statement that the interview which he has sought with the Viceroy has not yet been granted. But one may be sure it will be granted. To prevent misunderstanding of the purpose of the interview Gandhiji says that he is going to the Viceroy to make sure that he is right in the inferences he has drawn from the recent acts of the Government. He evidently refers to the following remarks of his in his speech at the A. I. C. C. meeting: "I do not want to hurl Civil Disobedience or anything in the face of Government without making my meaning clear, the meaning I attach to the sum total of Government actions—actions beginning with the declaration of the Viceroy, then the statement of the Secretary of State for India and then the series of actions and the policy that the Government have pursued since. The sum total of all these things has left an indelible impression on my mind that there is something wrong, some injustice being perpetrated against the whole nation and that the voice of freedom is about to be stifled."

Gandhiji adds that "if the premises on which the Congress case is built are wrong, there is no case for civil disobedience". He suggests that if he is satisfied that the voice of freedom is not about to be stifled, there will be no civil disobedience. The Viceroy will, perhaps, say that action will be taken only against those whose speeches and actions cause to Britain the very embarrassment which Gandhiji wishes to avoid. Gandhiji will, of course, retort that non-violent propaganda for pacifism cannot cause embarrassment as he understands it. We shall not follow further the possible discussion. We can at present only hope there will be some workable understanding. That will enable the Congress to concentrate its efforts on that constructive work which will finally lead to many-sided national freedom and not merely freedom of speech.

Value Of U. S. Destroyers

By "STRATEGICUS"

LONDON, (By Cable)

In the state of uneasy waiting into which the war has drifted, the welcome addition of reconditioned destroyers from the United States marks a significant change.

They are, of course, old types, but very similar to one of the classes of British destroyers which has done excellent work. They are gunned sufficiently to have anti-aircraft defence that will protect them against the menace which has arisen since they last saw active service. Their number is best measured by the reflection that they represent almost 30 per cent of the destroyer strength with which Britain entered the war.

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It is not so obvious that this reinforcement will appreciably affect the war situation. Clearly it must increase the difficulties of any attempted invasion and this is the purpose of Germany's present activity against Britain. The plethora of air raids can have no other explanation. They attempt to destroy the R.A.F. by bombing aerodromes and aeroplane factories.

But the destruction of R.A.F. is only a means to the furtherance of the invasion and destruction of Britain. From the first Germany has been under the necessity of seeking a speedy decision and for some months it has been obvious that only the destruction of Britain will yield it.

But there has recently arisen over the horizon a new factor which makes the need of a decision even more imperative. Goebbels and Hitler have made it clear that the British air offensive which for long they affected to ignore, is really injuring Germany in material as well as in morale. To check this offensive Hitler recognises that he must defeat Britain.

He has found it impossible to force back the R.A.F. concentration sufficiently far from the coast to secure a chance of landing an expeditionary force under cover of his air force,, cross-Channel guns and small naval vessels; and in any case he would have to deal with the Navy. Gloomy before, the outlook now is almost completely forbidding.

It has been admitted that the surrender of France gravely changed the naval situation and, even when the French capital ships had been dealt with, the shortage of smaller craft remained a handicap. The shortage has now to a considerable extent been made good and the risks of invasion are to that extent increased The appreciation of this fact may drive Germany to chance her luck at once.

In any case the weather will begin to deteriorate in a few weeks time and the prospect of a reinforcement to our destroyer force may persuade her to strike at once if she means to strike at all.

There is, however, another direction in which a reinforcement will be even welcomed. The service commanders do not fear invasion, but it is admitted that the lack of sufficiency of smaller naval vessels has had an appreciable effect upon shipping losses. Figures for the eight weeks since the capitulation of France are now available and though those of the second four weeks show a decrease of 13 per cent in sinkings, they are still too heavy for our comfort. It was of course inevitable that losses should increase.

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Germany is now in possession of the Dutch, Belgian and French Atlantic ports; the French fleet is no longer available and the Italian fleet at least compels the Royal Navy to divide its forces. These factors were bound to have their effect and indeed it is incredible that losses have not risen more. During the last four weeks weekly sinkings have twice been over 70,000 tons but on one occasion were as low as 39,907.

Though they naturally vary and Britain is now in control of more shipping tonnage than on the outbreak of war, the losses are serious in view of the wide and widening range of uses to which shipping has now to be put. The effective steps being taken to keep sinkings within bounds can be gathered from the fall of 13 per cent in the last four weeks as compared with the preceding period. Little more could now be done without increase in the strength of the destroyer force.

The destroyers will also improve the situation in the Mediterranean. Capital ships owe their security very largely to the smaller craft which attend them when they leave port; that is, they owe their effective mobility to cruisers and destroyers. Everyone recognises the desirability of bringing the elusive Italian navy to battle, but this is by no means easy in so great a sea as the Mediterranean, particularly when the enemy, despite his losses, still has a large number of submarines at his disposal.

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The great enemy of the submarine is the destroyer. With its modern detecting apparatus and great speed, a destroyer can pick up and trace a submarine to its hiding place and when this is accomplished the submarine's days are over.

Destroyers in giving the Mediterranean Fleet greater mobility will greatly increase its chances of bringing the Italian fleet to action. No one in Britain has any doubt about the result of any such clash and the effect of an Italian defeat would be immediately felt over the Eastern Mediterranean. Even apart from the defeat any increase of the British Navy in this area, especially in faster units, will improve its patrolling power and, to that extent increasingly restrict the radius of action and influence of the Italian Navy.

On paper this is a strong and efficient fighting force and while it is not defeated and retains a certain amount of liberty every state which borders the Mediterranean must feel its influence.

No one knows what Italy means by bullying Greece. Her manoeuvres in Syria are similarly a matter of mere speculation. But her broad design is to break British power in the Near East.

The British naval concentration in the area is quite sufficient to deal with the Italian navy. But with this new increase in its strength it will be able to forbid any hope of profiting by an attempted seizure of ports in Greece and make a land offensive valueless. It will have its effect even on East Africa where the recent advance of Kenya shows that Italy means to exploit her nuisance value to the full.

The effect upon the morale of the enemy and the influence upon neutrals must also be taken into account. At one stroke the war situation has everywhere been changed. Even where the change is slight, it is significant, and in several direction it must be very considerable.

The Oxford Pacifist

By D. F. KARAKA

C. E. M. Joad, one of the great thinkers of our time, has recently broadcast a talk from the B.B.C This broadcast talk was published in Tuesday's issue of "The Chronicle".

When I read through it I felt a sort of personal attachment to it, for the text of it referred almost entirely to the Pacifist resolution moved and passed by the Oxford Union in 1933, and which stands recorded in the Society's minute books in my handwriting. Like Joad, I, too, was and even now am a Pacifist. I belonged to that generation at Oxford, which really believed in that resolution and believed deeply in the possibility of banishing war for all time in the civilized part of the world.

The text of that resolution was "That this House will under no circumstances fight for its King and country" It was moved by David Graham of Balliol, who was a keen follower of Buchman and who was the son of Sir Lancelot Graham (Governor of Sind). It was opposed by Keith Steel-Maitland of Balliol, son of Sir Arthur Steel-Maitland, a diehard to the tips of his fingers K. H. Digby of St. Johns, a socialist, spoke in support of it. Quintin Hogg, Lord Hailsham's son, spoke against it and Cyril Joad spoke fifth. That was the order paper for the day. Others spoke, too, and the majority was predominantly though surprisingly in favour of the Pacifist side.

I remember very well going up to supper as is customary after the debate and as Cyril Joad says in his article many of us, who thought Oxford was a trifle conservative, felt it was an astonishing victory for pacifism and progressive thought.

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In the week that followed that debate a storm broke over us and we found ourselves pitched into the limelight, the object of a world's mixed comment—alternating between praise and violent abuse. When Randolph Churchill, Wintston's son,, came to have those minutes expunged from the records of the society, the verdict of the Oxford Union was even more emphatically registered and the majority in favour of keeping it in the minute book was over 600.

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But the point was never decided as to what that resolution really meant and why Oxford so definitely voted in its favour. Disloyalty to King and country it obviously did not imply. King and country, as Joad says in his broadcast, stood for the usual call that was made at the time of the last war. Today if you notice, it is absent from the British war cry. The call today is "Help him to defend you"! That is, perhaps, the strongest point in Cyril Joad's explanation. It is that you can be a pacifist and still defend yourself. The men who are fighting today include amongst them, I am sure, many of that gallant band of young men, who passed through the "Ayes" lobby at the Union that day. Yet, I feel they are as much pacifist at heart as ever before. They believe they are fighting, as Britain has not done for a long time, "in defence" and that puts a different complexion on their action and makes it consistent with their philosophy.

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As Joad points out, the Pacifist resolution preceded the Nazi rise to power by a week. It showed, therefore, that the youth of England, (because although the Oxford Union was the first to pass it, it was adapted later and passed by many youth organisations all over England) was not inclined to make the might of England fall at the expense of a country, which they then thought was only trying to regain its self-respect and to free itself from the bondage, which the Treaty of Varsailles had inflicted on it. Germany at the time of the Oxford Resolution was a different Germany from the one it is now. It was a Germany of decent people, still God-fearing, humble, and very poor. And the young men of England were not in favour of Britain and her Allies standing perpetually in judgment over her at the point of the sword.

The last few years have changed the face of that country. Beginning with the idea of rescuing Germany from her plight and relieving her of her suffering, and elevating her to the status of a free nation of the world, Hitler changed over to a policy of ruthless oppression of all sorts and manner of people, who were not ready to fall in line with the dictates of his party machine. German citizens more than any other will bear testimony to that. His persecution of the Jews, shameful, degrading, immoral as it has been, could not have been contemplated by any one who first placed Hitler in power. And if pacifism were made to apply to the present war, Oxford men would, perhaps, be carrying out more literally the

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Frankly Speaking

Significant Conference

Something important seems to be afoot in Japan. A long conference was held on Thursday last at the Imperial Palace attended by all the key Ministers as also the Service Chiefs. What is even more significant is the fact that the Emperor himself was present at the Conference. What is up, which needed the presence at Ministerial consultations not only of Service Chiefs but also of the Emperor of Japan? It is difficult to answer yet. But it should be noted that while confusion as to Franco-Japanese negotiations endures, the situation in the Netherlands East Indies is, according to an American report, one of "serious tension." That may be one reason why the U. S. A. fleet is staying on at Hawaii. But something more than this kind of "gesture" is needed by America to protect the "status quo" in the Far East.

Situation In Syria

Inspite of a great deal of obscurity, the situation in Syria is not without possibilities of serious developments. Different theories have been advanced about the presence in Beirout of a strong Axis delegation. But the Germans and particularly Italians would not concentrate so much attention upon that country unless Italy wanted to exploit that country and French equipment for her own strategical and military needs. The utmost pressure is, therefore, being brought to bear upon the subservient higher authorities, namely, the French High Commissioner and the French Commander-in-Chief, to yield to the Axis demands. There is, however, the other side of the picture, too; for instance, anti-Axis feelings among other French officers and the reported assurances by the French Charge d'Affaires. Even more important is the demarche to Vichy by the Government of Iraq on behalf of the people of Syria and Lebanon. Axis efforts may, therefore yet fail. But the position today is rather an anxious one.

Hungaro-Rumanian "Crisis"

A few days ago Hungary accused Rumanian troops of having systematically and cruelly ill-treated Hungarians in Transylvania before retiring. And it was declared that the "crisis" between the two countries was by no means over. Now it is the turn of Rumania to attribute atrocities on Rumanians in Transylvania to Hungarian troops. Clearly the crisis, so far from abating, is actually growing more acute. Equally clearly, it will go on growing if matters are left to the two countries. Intervention, therefore, by the Axis, or, more accurately, Germany is called for. What will the Nazis do to end the "crisis"? One solution, of course, is extension of Nazi protection over Transylvania—as another step forward in the German advance to the Black Sea.

An Interesting Report

Much more interesting than the achievements of the British Navy and the R.A.F. against Italians is the detailed account by the *Giornale d'Italia* of alleged British strength in men, munition and aircraft massed in Egypt against Marshal Graziani's forces. The details are, of course, highly exaggerated. If the British could dispose of a force credited to them by Signor Gayada's paper, the fighting would be taking place today in Libyan territory. Then why this exaggeration Was the report intended to co-incide with Herr Von Ribbentrop's visit to Rome for the purpose of securing German assistance? Or is it a precautionary measure designed to prepare the Italians for possible reverses? Or, yet again, is it merely to show how invincible the advancing Fascists are?

"Social Welfare"

We cordially welcome the appearance of *Social Welfare* a new weekly devoted to social and cultural reconstruction under the joint editorship of Mr. K. M. Munshi and Dr. P. Subbaroyan. It seeks to afford "a platform where thoughtful men can meet to discuss the varied activities of social reconstruction which eddy round us." The first number contains readable articles on prohibition, Hindu-Muslim unity, uplift of hill tribes, co-operation and other kindred social activities and the contributors include leaders and publicists like Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru, Mr. B. G. Kher, Dr. Pattabhi Sitaramayya and Mr. Chagla. Sport-lovers will find an interesting review of sport in India during the last year by Dr. Subbaroyan. The weekly is well printed and its annual subscription of Rs. 4 is quite modest for the high quality of reading matter it promises. We wish our new contemporary every succe-

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WITHOUT COMMENT

NEW YORK, Sept. 20.

According to the Washington correspondent of the "New York Times," conversations have been going on between the United States Government and representatives of the British Empire as to the possibility of informal but closer co-operation between the English-speaking parts of the world, particularly with regard to the joint use of air and naval bases for mutual defence.—Reuter.

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The monsoon session of the Bengal Legislative Assembly has been prorogued after two months, says a Calcutta message.

In Bombay, the Legislative Assembly being virtually non-existent, the monsoon held the session itself—but shows no sign of proroguing it.

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According to a Nagpur paper "a formal invitation to Mr. Aney to join the (Viceroy's Executive) Council is expected from Simla shortly."

Our formal comment upon it may, therefore, also be expected shortly.

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Berliners will have their central heating from October 15 instead of September 15.

Do the Nazis expect the R.A.F. to keep the city warm in the meantime?

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The French Charge d'Affaires at Ankara told a Turkish newspaper in the course of an interview that no bases will be granted to the Italians in Syria.

—Ankara report.

The diplomat had better pack up to return to Vichy or fly to de Gaulle.

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"HONGKONG, Sept. 20.

It is stated in authoritative quarters here that the Japanese have presented Indo-China with a 72-hour ultimatum expiring at midnight on Sunday. No official confirmation is hitherto available."—Reuter.

The Junior Colleague, however, cynically suggests that this is 70 hours more than enough for the Men of Vichy.

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The "Giornale d'Italia" publishes alleged figures to show how strong and well equipped the British Army is in Egypt.

Preparing the people of Italy in advance for——what?

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"Liveliest speculation," says a Madrid report, "has been aroused here by Senor Sunner's journey" to Berlin.

Naturally. He is dealing with what for poor Spaniards is a question of "Live or Die."

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Rumania has given no reason for expelling the British staff of the Anglo-Rumanian Institute whose main work, it is reported, was teaching English literature and language.

The reason is a matter of fact is quite obvious. What the Rumanians now need to learn—and learn well—is German not English.

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Among the public buildings damaged during the raids on London is the Inner Temple Library.

A little less of law books in the world will not be a bad thing.

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"Cats, my dear," said the spinster, "I hate the very sight of them. I had a sweet little canary and some cat got that. I had a perfect parrot, and some cat got that. I had an adorable fiance once, and—oh, don't mention cats to me!"

POINTED PARAGRAPHS

It is easy to expect others to set a good example.

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Explaining gets to be a chronic habit with some people.

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Women who tell everything they hear manage to hear a lot.

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Nine men out of ten overestimate their importance in the world.

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A man may build a palace, but it takes a woman to convert it into a home.

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The first step is often so expensive that you can't afford to take the second.

URPRISE ATTACK ON ITALIAN NAVAL BASE

BRITISH FLEET AIR ARM SCORES BIG HIT: LIBYAN HARBOUR IN FLAMES: DESTROYER BLOWN TO BITS

CAIRO, Sept. 20.

The Italians were completely surprised by aircraft of the Fleet Air Arm which raided the Libyan base of Benghazi this week, it is learned.

SHIPS BOMBED

Sticks of bombs fell across two groups of ships, including destroyers, which formed the main targets in the harbour.

DESTROYER BLOWN UP

A fire broke out among one group. When the second group was bombed again a destroyer blew up with such force that the blast almost overturned one of the raiders.

HARBOUR ABLAZE

At the end of the raid the town was lit up by a glow of flames which seemed to envelop the entire harbour.

VAIN SEARCH FOR ITALIAN SHIPS

A 'Communique' states: "The situation in the Western Desert is unchanged and there is nothing to report from other Fronts in the Middle East.

British warships in the Mediterranean have arrived in Alexandria after the naval bombardment of Sidi Barrani and Sollum. Not one of the British vessels shows any signs of battle. During their cruise British warships once again searched in vain for Italian vessels.—Reuter.

CONTINUOUS RAIDS IN WESTERN DESERT

A cable of Thursday's date says:

Continuous raids were carried on against the enemy in the western desert. An aircraft set fire to Derna and buildings were hit in Tobruk and large motor transport concentrations between Sidi Barrani and Sollum were set on fire. Successful attack was made on about fifty aircraft aground at Eltmimi (Libya). Bombs fell among aircraft and severe damage was caused.

Raids were also made on Bomba, Bardia and a camp in Capuzzo —Sollum area. One aircraft is missing.

Italian Aerodrome Raided

Aircraft of the South African Air Force raided Mogadiscio aerodrome (Italian Somaliland) for the sixth time on September 17. Bombs were dropped on hangars and buildings and many fires were started. Attacks were made in Lavello and Abyssinia and one bomber was destroyed and considerable damage to buildings and hangars resulted.

Three raids were made by R. A. F. bombers on Kassala. One enemy fighter attempting to intercept was damaged. Assab and Diradawa were again attacked and fires were observed.—Reuter.

Free French Air Force Participating In Operations Against Italy

The air force of the Free French forces is taking an active part in co-operation with British squadrons in operations against Italy in eastern Africa, it is learned in authoritative circles in London. In this connection it is learned that four Free French airmen participating in reconnaissance flight over Abyssinia have been reported missing.

ITALIAN AIRMEN DETAINED

Seven Italian airmen who took part in raids on Palestine have been detained by the Turkish authorities after making a forced landing on their way back to the Dodecanese Islands. One of them, an officer, is the sole survivor in the three aircraft which came down in the sea off southern Anatolia after an unsuccessful attack on Haifa on September 8 when all machines, which were believed to have been hit by anti-aircraft fire, were sunk. A fourth machine which attacked Tel Aviv on September 9 landed on the Turkish coast where the crew of six were seized.

BRITISH HOSPITAL ATTACKED

It is revealed in Cairo that three Italian warplanes last Friday attacked the British casualty clearing Station at Daba, on the road from Alexandria to Mersmatruh. A hundred bombs were dropped and considerable damage was done to tents and ambulance wagons but there were no casualties. It was a moonlight night and the station which was plainly marked could not possibly be mistaken for anything but a hospital.

NO RICE SHORTAGE

Burma Govt.'s Assurance To Assembly: Sequel To Japan's Purchases

RANGOON, Sept. 20.

The House of Representatives held to-day one of the longest sessions in its history.

The House did not rise till 9-30 p.m. being engaged in discussing a short notice resolution on the prevention of "abnormal increase in local retail price of rice all over the country."

The resolution recommended the Government to take immediate remedial steps. The resolution, however, was rejected after an assurance had been given by the Government that suitable steps would be taken if the situation demanded it. Government held the view, that the situation at present was not abnormal, there being adequate rice for local consumption.

The Associated Press learns that a feature of this year's market is the phenomenal rise in shipments of rice to Japan. This upto the end of August from the beginning of this year reached four lakhs of tons out of the total exports of 24 lakhs during the period. It is learned here that this was due to an acute shortage of rice in Japan. Japan's purchases have imparted a bullish tendency in the local market.—A. P.

Junker Crashes; Pilots Taken Prisoner

LONDON, Sept. 20.

After being engaged by R.A.F. fighters last evening a Junkers 88 crashed near Cambridge. Four occupants were taken prisoner.

TO-MORROW'S FEDERAL ELECTIONS

Record Number Of Candidates Nominated

SYDNEY, Sept. 20.

To-morrow, the Federal elections for which a record number of candidates have been nominated will be held. Party leaders in their final appeals to electors have emphasised the need for a tremendous war effort. Both Mr. Menzies, Prime Minister and Mr. Curtin, Labour Opposition Leader are anxious for a sweeping majority in the House of Representatives of the Senate to free them from anxieties which would interfere with the conduct of the war.

Mr. Menzies has five opponents at Kooyong and Mr. Curtin two at Fremantle. While both are wholeheartedly for every possible assistance to Great Britain, Mr. Curtin has been laying greater stress on the defence of Australia than on the dispatch of aid overseas. 273 candidates are contesting 75 seats in the House and 65 candidates, 19 seats in the Senate. Four are women. The only unopposed candidate is Mr. A. E Green, Labour Representative of Kalgoorlie.—Reuter.

What Rival Parties Want

LONDON, Sept. 20.

The Sydney radio reports the policy before the General Election by leaders.

Mr. Menzies declared: "What we want is a strong Government with definite clearcut plans and assured of the backing of the people."

Mr. Curtin called for maximum war effort, equal sacrifices during the war, a new social effort after the war, complete defence of Australia and a National War Cabinet of all parties.—Reuter.

No Break With Congress

Akali Dal Leader Advises Sikhs Not To Resign From Congress

LAHORE, Sept. 20.

An appeal to the Akali Sikhs not to resign from the Congress has been issued by Jathedar Teja Singh, President of the Shiromani Akali Dal.

He says that the resignation of Master Tara Singh from the Congress has caused misunderstanding in the political circles about the position of the Akalis 'vis-a-vis' the Congress with the result that some Akali workers have resigned from the Congress.

By doing so, they have not done any good to their community or the country. He adds that the general committee of the Shiromani Akali Dal is the only competent body which can decide about this important matter. There was no question of a final break with the Congress, unless it refused to declare in unequivocal terms that it would not submit to the Muslim League demand of Pakistan, and unless it refused to dissociate from the "sporting offer" of Mr. Rajagopalachari.—A. P.

GIVING FASCISM INDIRECT HELP?

M. N. Roy Criticises A. I. C. C. Resolution

DEHRA DUN, Sept. 20.

Commenting on the A. I. C. C. resolution, Mr. M. N. Roy says: "It will only please Berlin and Rome. It is beyond mortal understanding how moral support for Britain and professed abhorrence for Fascism are reconciled with anti-war propaganda. The object of the propaganda is obviously to prevent India's participation in the war. Its attainment will not only embarrass the British Government but will be a setback to British democracy engaged in a life and death struggle. The propaganda may not succeed but that will not absolve Congress leaders from the responsibility of encouraging Fascism and betraying the democratic and progressive forces. The Government is not likely to grant freedom of anti-war propaganda but by demanding it, Congress leaders stand condemned in the readiness to give Fascism indirect help.

CRUCIAL QUESTION

The crucial question is how anti-war propaganda will promote the cause of Indian freedom. The Bombay resolution is sure to lead to the extinction of the Congress. Its leaders are to be thanked for that inglorious end. However, it will release popular forces to assert themselves under farseeing and broad-minded leadership and play a creditable role in world drama, on the outcome of which the future of India depends. The Congress leaders having chosen the wilderness, a joint effort should be made by more realistic politicians to form popular ministries in the provinces. The collaboration of more sensible Congress legislators may be expected. The other alternative is new elections on the issue of India's voluntary participation in the war against Fascism. In the present critical situation, the Government and the country must come under popular control. Otherwise, the anti-fascist war cannot be converted into a people's war and only as such will it succeed.—A. P.

Nainital Volunteers Stop Drills

NAINITAL, Sept. 20.

In compliance with the Congress Working Committee's resolution calling upon all Congress organisations to cease civil disobedience, the Congress volunteers of Nainital stopped their drills and parades which were to be held to-day.—United Press.

EASTERN GROUP CONFERENCE

Members Of New Zealand Delegation For Delhi

SIMLA, Sept. 20.

A Press Note states: The following are the members of the New Zealand Delegation who will be attending the Eastern Group Conference in Delhi in October:—

Major-General Sir John Duigan, Chief of the General Staff, (Leader).

Mr. F. R. Picot, Director, Internal Marketing Department.

Mr. J. R. Middleton, Assistant Secretary, Supply.

Major H. E. Erridge, Commanding Officer, New Zealand Army Ordnance Corps.

Mr. A. B. Taylor, Assistant to Chief Financial Officer, Treasury.

Lt. G. Grossley, Orderly Officer to the Chief of the General Staff. —A.P.

NAZI RAIDERS CHASED AWAY

200 German Planes Cross Channel, But were Hotly Engaged By Br. Fighters

LONDON, Sept. 20.

Loud gunfire was heard in the London area to-night shortly after an air-raid warning was sounded. —Reuter.

The gale which swept the Straits of Dover during the night dropped this morning, but there is wind still in the south-west. The sea is calmer and there are sunny intervals. The visibility is clear, the French coast being easily seen.

200 NAZI PLANES CROSS CHANNEL

Strong forces of German bombers and fighters crossed the Kent coast from the direction of the Belgian coast this morning and headed towards London.

As they neared the coast they split up into three groups, crossed the coast at different points and vanished being clouds. Anti-aircraft guns opened fire and spitfires were seen to streak across the sky in pursuit. Several minutes later the air over the Channel coast throbbed with noise of more waves of enemy bombers, which crossed the Kent coastline until over 200 enemy planes were estimated to have flown inland.

FIGHT ABOVE CLOUDS

British fighters apparently had been lying in wait for the enemy because as the last formation arrived Spitfires and Hurricanes closed in a ring around the Germans and a fierce dog-fight ensued above the clouds.

An air raid warning was given in London area on the approach of the raiders, but they were driven back before reaching London and the warning was not of a long duration.

BATTLE OVER SEA

The enemy were relentlessly driven back eastwards and the fight continued over the sea. German machines were then seen racing in disorder for the French coast. A number of German planes were seen to fall during the battle, some near Dover and some in mid-Channel.

NO BOMBING REPORTED

There are no reports of any bombs dropped except that one or two planes made half-hearted attacks. One raider which crossed the Channel dropped two bombs over a south-east coastal town before making for home. Six bombs were dropped in East Anglia, but they all fell into the sea. In London so far (4.00 p.m. G.M.T.) there has been one short air raid warning but no sign of German planes.

HIDE AND SEEK IN THE AIR

A cable of Thursday's date says:—

A number of enemy planes engaged in to-night's raid appeared by trying a new avenue of approach to Central London from North-west. They got a warm welcome from the guns in the locality. Later, Central London's barrage took up the challenge bursting into the full column as the raiders drew nearer.

As raiders continued to arrive over North-west London, dozens of searchlights converged to try to locate them. Suddenly a roar of British fighters was heard and the searchlights were switched off and the German and British engaged in a game of hide-and-seek.

Bombs were dropped early in a raid in one area in the northern outskirts of the city. London's now famous anti-aircraft barrage defence shows no signs of slackening in intensity.

BOMBS DROPPED IN BRIGHTON

Several bombs were also dropped in Brighton this morning and damage was done to houses. There was a number of casualties some of which were fatal. Enemy formations were engaged by our fighters but cloud conditions made interception difficult. Reports hitherto received show that four enemy aircraft were shot down. Seven of our fighters were lost, the pilots of three being safe.—Reuter.

NO MASS AIR ATTACK

No large scale action has been reported during the day, says an Air Ministry Communique.

Two enemy aircraft dropped bombs in areas in East London causing some damage and casualties. Both were engaged by our fighters and one was shot down.

Bombs are also reported from coastal towns in Essex and Sussex and at one point in west England. The number of casualties was small.

Despite bad visibility our fighters successfully intercepted a large proportion of the enemy and five enemy bombers were altogether destroyed.

Bombs were dropped in widely scattered areas of London during Thursday night. Attacks were also reported from a south-eastern town where five bombs caused considerable damage, and over the north-western area of England where, however, they were less frequent than on the previous night.

VITAL LINK ATTACKED

LONDON, Sept. 20.

In terrible weather, the R.A.F. attacked aqueducts carrying the Dortmund-Ems Canal over the river Ems north of Munster last night, states the Air Ministry News Service.

The Canal is one of the most vital links of Germany's internal communications. The aqueducts had been attacked more than once and much damage was caused, but repair gangs had since been working at high pressure to restore them to full use.

Sticks of high explosives were dropped across both aqueducts and at least one burst was clearly seen.

Attacks were repeated later, once by aircraft in a shallow dive attack.

ATTACK ON DUNKIRK DOCKS

Dunkirk docks were also attacked from a low level despite intense anti-aircraft fire. Other R.A.F. Squadrons bombed railway yards at Mannheim and Ehrang, goods yard at Neckarau, four miles south of Mannheim, and the main railway lines at Coblenz. Attacks were also made on the bridge over the Rhine near the Trier Canal between Veere and Middleburg in Holland and aerodromes at Munster—Hansdorf and Bergenopzoom.—Reuter.

Channel Ports Raided Nazi Ship Yards Ablaze

A vivid story of the relentless hammering of enemy's Channel ports by the R.A.F. bombers last night, is told in an Air Ministry bulletin.

It says that La Havre was singled out for the night's heaviest bombardment. A strong force of heavy bombers attacking in relays maintained an almost continuous assault upon harbours, docks and shipping for nearly five hours.

Many tons of high explosive bombs and great quantities of incendiaries were unloaded on the target despite the fierce opposition of the ground defences and the handicap of occasional low cloud.

Again and again the docks and ships alongside straddled with the sticks of high explosive bombs. As early as 10 p.m. fires were raging in many parts of the harbour, a large ship alongside the quay was burning strongly and a 7,000 ton ship was also well alight. A few minutes later a line of ships in the harbour were ablaze, the flames lighting up the bank of low cloud.

One of the new fires to the north of the basin Vaulin, some hours later, engulfed the harbour power station and the crew of one low-flying aircraft reported seeing red hot girders protruding through the flame. Another big fire was started by incendiary bombs among sheds close to Gare trans-Atlantic.

The bulletin describes similar devastating attacks on other French, Dutch and Belgian Coast ports. During the raid on Ostend one plane flying 1,500 feet turned over on its back by the blast of a great explosion which followed the bursting of a bomb.

NAZIS WITH ITALIAN FORCES

LONDON, Sept. 20.

According to the German News Agency, an order of the German High Command reveals that Germans are serving with the Italian armed forces. The order, which has been applicable from June 1, says that German nationals who serve with the Italian forces will be on the same footing regarding indemnities, pay and pensions as the German forces.—Reuter.

Hungarian Troops' "Atrocities"

Armed Bands Attack Rumanians, Set Fire To Village And Murder Priest

BUCHAREST, Sept. 20.

Serious accusations are being made against Hungarian troops occupying the ceded Transylvanian territory and against the Hungarian population in their treatment of the Rumanians there.

The Rumanians are said to have been attacked after the entry of the Hungarians into Cluj by armed bands and Rumanians attempting to resist were killed.

Another allegation is that a village was set on fire and the inhabitants fired on and a priest was murdered.—Reuter.

Britishers Asked To Quit Rumania

BUCHAREST, Sept. 20.

The entire English-speaking staff of the Anglo-Rumanian Institute in Bucharest has been asked to leave the country.

The Rumanian authorities have given no reason for their decision. Ten British subjects are involved and they are leaving Rumania at the given date during October. The main work of the Institute was teaching English literature and English language and it had some 2,000 pupils.

RADICAL CHANGE IN STATUS OF JEWRY

All recent measures against Jews and sects including Baptists, and particularly decrees restricting worship and concerning Synagogues, have been annulled.

Under previous decrees, a large amount of religious property was to go to the State.

Pending new decrees, it is expected that the status of Jewry in Rumania may undergo a radical change in the near future.—Reuter.

GERMANY WOOING TURKEY?

Papen-Sarajoglu Talks On Vienna Decision

LONDON, Sept. 20

It is understood that Herr Nadolny, who was German Ambassador in Turkey until 1938, has just concluded a ten-day visit to Istanbul. It is stated in German circles that Nadolny's visit has no official significance and his wartime journey to Istanbul was made only in order to enjoy the summer sunshine of the Bosphorus.

It is thought, however, that Nadolny cannot have failed to renew, in a purely private capacity, the contacts he made during his stay as Ambassador, and diplomatic circles are inclined to connect his visit with the present efforts of the German Government to ingratiate themselves with the Turks and to win their confidence.

When M. Sarajoglu, Turkish Foreign Minister, went to Istanbul last week, Von Papen, the German Ambassador, visited him to inform the Turkish Government about the Vienna decision on the Hungaro-Rumanian dispute. The Ambassador explained that Germany, although she had decided not to intervene, felt bound to change her mind in view of the threat of war in the Balkans, and gave reasons why the Reich Government regarded the settlement imposed as a just one.—United Press.

LONG MEETING OF EGYPTIAN CABINET

CAIRO, Sept. 20.

The Egyptian Cabinet had a long meeting yesterday and adjourned till to-morrow.—Reuter.

BRAZILIAN EMBASSY HIT BY BOMB

LONDON, Sept. 20.

In air-raid on Wednesday night an incendiary bomb fell on the roof of the Brazilian Embassy.

The bomb was extinguished by auxiliary Fire Services and the Embassy Staff before any material damage had been done.—Reuter.

R. A. F. Casualty List

LONDON, Sept. 20.

Following with Indian connections appear in the R.A.F. casualty list: 46 killed in action (while flying in operations against the enemy)—Flight-Sergeant F. G. Berry, D.F.M., born in Calcutta (wife's hometown London): Pilot Officer C. A. Woods Scawen, D.F.C., Flying Officer P. P. Woods Scawen, D.F.C. (both born in Karachi, father's hometown South Farnborough, Hants).

Previously reported missing now reported killed in action:—

Pilot Officer H. G. R. Pirie, born in Madras (father in Madras Presidency).

Wounded or injured in action:—

Acting Squadron Leader P. W. Townsend, D.F.C., born in Rangoon, (mother's hometown in Hants).—Reuter.

More Ruthless Attacks To Be Launched On Britain

NEW YORK, Sept. 20.

"Nazi rage mounts over R.A.F. bombs," says the Berlin correspondent of the "New York Times".

Judging from German Press comments he expects that German attacks on Britain will take on a degree of ruthlessness that the Germans claim have hitherto been avoided.—Reuter.

GERMAN SUPPLY SHIP SUNK

Br. Submarine's Successful Attack Despite 'Heavy Weather'

LONDON, Sept. 20

The sinking of a ten-thousand-ton German Supply Ship off Northern Denmark by the British submarine "Sturgeon" is announced by the Admiralty.

An Admiralty Communique says "It can now be stated that H. M. Submarine "Sturgeon" (Lieutenant G. D. A. Gregory, D.S.O.) successfully attacked a heavily laden enemy transport off the northern point of Denmark on the evening of September 2.

The enemy transport was a ship of about ten-thousand-tons. She was escorted by small naval vessels and aircraft. The "Sturgeon" carried out a successful attask despite difficult light conditions and heavy weather. Torpedos hit the transport from which there were brilliant flashes of flame.

When the "Sturgeon" surfaced some time later, the transport had sunk and the German escorts were sweeping the water with searchlights in search of survivors.

It will be remembered that reports from Stockholm stated that a German transport had been sunk by a British submarine on the evening of September 2, and a very large number of German troops were killed.

It was denied by the German wireless and the Official News Agency.—Reuter.

"A MONSTROUS SECTION"

POONA, Sept. 20

Mr. V. Raghaviah a member of the All-India Congress Committee and Secretary of the All-India Criminal Tribes Association, had an interview with Mr. J. M. Sladen, Secretary to the Government of Bombay, Home Department, in the course of which he urged upon the latter the desirability of repealing Section 23 of the Criminal Tribts Act.

The Section provides for the sentence of transportation for life to a member of the criminal tribe, as minimum punishment, at the time of a third conviction, even if the offence be trivial. The Committee of Inquiry appointed by the Congress Ministry in Bombay under the Chairmanship of Mr. K. M. Munshi, the then Home Minister, had made favourable recommendations which Mr. Raghaviah stressed the necessity of implementing. The Committee had characterised the Section as "monstrous".

It was further pointed out in this connection that the Central Government had accorded permission to the Bombay Government to repeal the Section, upon a reference made by the latter.

Mr. Sladen promised to place the matter before the Government at an early date.—United Press.

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Next Step Of Congress

"Will Be Known After Gandhiji Has Met Viceroy"

PESHAWAR, Sept. 20.

"At present no one knows what is the next step. It will be known after Gandhiji has met the Viceroy" said Khan Abdul Ghaffar Khan, in an interview to the "Associated Press" on his return from Bombay to-night.

Khan Abdul Ghaffar Khan, contradicted a recent press report stating that he is contemplating Satyagraha over the ban on his entry into Baluchistan and said: "We are not offering Satyagraha at this moment."

Referring to a recent incident in Bannu where a few red-shirts while marching in formation offered themselves for arrest but were, however, not arrested, he said, he would like red-shirts not to disobey the law.—A. P.

SITE FOR NEXT CONGRESS SESSION

LAHORE, Sept. 20.

The Sub-Committee appointed by the Punjab Congress Executive to select a suitable site for the next Congress session recently visited three sites suggested in the districts of Rawalpindi and Campbellpur.

After visiting Kurukshetra, in Ambala district, and another place in Ferozepur district, the Committee is expected to submit its report to the Working Committee within a few days.—A. P.

DR. KHAN SAHIB'S APPEAL TO PATHANS

AHMEDABAD, Sept. 20.

An appeal to the Pathans to uphold the reputation of their race was made by Dr. Khan Sahib, former Premier of the Frontier Province, addressing in Pushtu a largely attended meeting of Pathans last night. He said that they should form an association and live an honourable life. He advised them to give up money-lending as it was forbidden by Islam.—A. P.

Jawaharlal Back At Allahabad

ALLAHABAD, Sept. 20.

Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru arrived here this evening by the Bombay Mail. He was received at the railway station by the local Congress workers.

The A.I.C.C. Office staff also returned by the same train.—A. P.

Kripalani To Tour Bihar?

PATNA, Sept. 20.

Acharya Kripalani, General Secretary of the Congress, is likely to undertake a tour of Bihar shortly in connection with the "Gandhi Jayanti" celebration.

Dr. Prafulla Chandra Ghose, a member of the Congress Working Committee is also expected here next week.—A. P.

VISITORS TO KABUL

PESHAWAR, Sept. 20.

King Zahir Shah of Afghanistan gave audience to General Ali Shah Khan, Commander of the Afghan Forces in Kandanar during the latter's visit to Kabul, states the "Islah".

Gul Mohammed Khan, Governor of the Mazari Sharif, who is now on a visit to Kabul, also had an important interview with the King.

Among other Provincial Governors who have visited the Capital in the last few days is the Governor of the Eastern Province, Abdul Hakim Khan. He has since returned to Jalalabad.—A. P.

Mrs. Naidu

BOMBAY, Sept. 20.

Mrs. Sarojini Naidu is leaving for Hyderabad to-morrow. For the last two or three days she has not been well and, therefore, she was unable to attend to some of the engagements fixed for her.—A. P.

Be Prepared For Any Eventuality

Congress President's Parting Message To Bombay

BOMBAY, Friday.

In a parting message to the city of Bombay, Maulana Abul Kalam Azad, Congress President, who left for Calcutta this evening said:—

"The time for action has come. The Congress expects every citizen of Bombay to keep himself or herself in readiness so that no one will be found wanting when the call comes.

Questioned by Press representatives if he was optimistic regarding the interview which Gandhiji has sought with the Viceroy, the Congress President said:—"It is not for me to say anything in this connection. I can only say that we will be prepared for any eventuality."

The Congress President explained, in reply to a query, that it was not necessary for Mahatma Gandhi to consult the Working Committee after his interview with the Viceroy because Gandhiji, as a captain invested with full powers, could take any step he considered necessary, without such consultation. The Congress Executive was ready to endorse whatever course of action he decided upon.

Referring to the annual elections of the Congress, Maulana Sahib said that in case of an emergency, there would be no elections. Otherwise they would be held in December next.

The Congress President who left by the Calcutta Mail was given a send-off at the Victoria Terminus by a large number of citizens. Among those present at the platform were Mr. Bhulabhai Desai, Mr. Nagindas Master, Mr. S. K. Patil, Mr. S. A. Brelvi, Mr. Mahomed Taher, Mr. Dhirubhai and Mrs. Desai.

AZAD TO ADDRESS CONGRESS WORKERS

CALCUTTA, September 20.

The Congress President, Maulana Azad, will address a conference of the Congress workers in the Province on September 22 at the B. P. C. C. office.

About 200 Congress workers from different districts are expected to attend the Conference.—A. P.

FRONTIER GANDHI TO BE RENOMINATED

Cancels Visit To Baluchistan

PESHAWAR, Sept. 20.

It is understood, Khan Abdul Ghaffar Khan, will be reappointed a member of the Working Committee of the All-India Congress from which he resigned on July 8.

Maulana Abul Kalam Azad, President of the Congress, is likely to announce his renomination in the near future. His original resignation having been completed a fresh nomination is required if he is again to be taken on the Working Committee.

Khan Abdul Ghaffar Khan proceeds to Utmanzai to-morrow and resumes his rural tour which he was to undertake before he left the Frontier.

It is understood that he has cancelled his visit to Baluchistan.—A.P.

JAPANESE MINISTER AT KABUL RECALLED

PESHAWAR, Sept. 20.

Mr. Waromoriya, Japanese Minister at Kabul, is among the Japanese diplomats in foreign countries who have been recalled to Japan. He left Kabul to-day and is arriving here to-morrow 'en route' to Tokyo.—A.P.

GREEK SHIP HELD UP IN MADRAS PORT

Crew Refuse To Man Their Posts Before Fixation Of Wages

MADRAS, Sept. 20.

Owing to trouble with the crew, a Greek ship which ought to have left Madras port yesterday was unable to put out to sea.

It is understood that about 30 men who constitute the crew wanted certain demands of theirs to be met before the ship left on its voyage and the rate of wages to be paid was among the points raised.

Parleys between the Captain and the crew proving unsuccessful, the crew refused to man their posts.—A. P.

Only One Resolution Tabled For Council Of State

SIMLA, Sept. 20.

Four days for non-official business have been put down for the next session of the Council of State beginning at New Delhi from November 19. They are November 19, 21, 26 and 29.

It is learned that so far only one non-official resolution has been received for the next session of the Central Legislative Assembly. The resolution, which is tabled by Mr. Ghulam Bhaik Narang, urges upon the Government of India to appoint a suitable Mussalman at the headquarters of the Government to look after the interests of Haj pilgrims. A number of questions have also been received in the office of the Assembly Department.

No question or resolution has so far been received from any members of the Congress Party.—A. P.

BR. COAL FOR EGYPT

LONDON, Sept. 20.

Eight thousand two hundred tons of coal reached Egypt from England. A spokesman of the Ministry of Mines said that substantial quantities of British coal have reached Egypt. The Italian blockade was ineffective.—Reuter.

JUSTICE TARIK ALI AS HYDERABAD CHIEF JUSTICE?

CALCUTTA: It is learnt on reliable authority that Justice Tarik Ameer Ali, Judge of the Calcutta High Court is shortly joining the Hyderabad High Court as Chief Jus[illegible].—Islamic Press.

Famous Orientalist Dead

ISTANBUL, Sept. 20.

The death has occurred of the famous orientalist Sir Denison Ross.

Sir Denison Ross went to Istanbul at the end of 1939 to assist in developing Anglo-Turkish relations and was given the rank of Counsellor to the British Embassy. He had been suffering from acute dysentery since August.—Reuter.

(Sir Denison Ross was Principal, Calcutta Madresa 1910-11; and worked in various capacities under Indian and British Governments in his line and was Director of School of Oriental Studies London, and professor of Persian in London University from 1915).

Russia Demands Release Of Communists

(From Our Istanbul Correspondenh)

ISTANBUL, (By Air Mail).

According to "Ikdam'," of Istanbul, it is reported that the Soviet Government are planning to demand the release of all Communist Leaders who have been thrown into prison by the Balkan Powers during the last ten years. Some may return to Russia, while others may remain at liberty to continue their profession. A similar demand, may possibly be addressed to Finland.

Fitter-Witness Breaks Down Before Court Of Inquiry

STORY OF RAILWAY ADMINISTRATION'S "MAKING A MISTAKE" TWICE REGARDING HIS SALARY

A human story was witnessed at the Court of Enquiry of the living conditions of Railway workers, when one of the witnesses, a fitter of the G. I. P. Railway, broke down on Friday afternoon, when he was questioned as to the expenditure on his children.

He was not able to purchase even elementary necessities of his family. He had run into debts as the salary he received was insufficient to meet his needs. He had to pledge the little jewellery in the house. On the top of these, the high prices in the market, of foodstuffs, especially had imposed new hardships on him.

In the course of his evidence, he produced his account books, which showed that prices had risen by 25 to 50 per cent. since war.

In 1934, when he joined service as an assistant fitter, he was getting Rs. 35 p.m. In 1936, he was drawing Rs. 38. In 1938, when an increment was due to him, the Railway administration found out that they had "made a mistake" as to his salary and brought it down to Rs. 30 with one more Rupee as increment. The excess of Rs. 109 paid to him was to be recovered from his salary and as a consequence he got only Rs. 26 to meet his household expense. Later in 1939 after he was promoted as a fitter on a salary of Rs. 45, the Railway authorities found out that they had again "made a mistake" as to his salary and had brought it down to Rs. 40 within a few months. This had considerably unbalanced his budget. The man had 4 children to maintain. He had brought down his household consumption of milk from 3/4 seer to ¼, when his youngest child had been weaned.

Cross-examined by Mr. C. K. Daphtary, counsel for the Railway, the witness said that he was not told at any time nor did he sign any paper when he was entertained, appertaining to the new scales of pay.

To a question by the Court, Mr. Griffiths, the Railway Representative at the Court, said he would look up the case.

The court adjourned to Saturday after examining another Railway employee from Kurla.

Messrs. C. K. Daphtary and Y. B. Rege appeared for the Railway and Messrs. S. C. Joshi, Jamnadas M. Mehta and S. Guruswami appeared for the Federation.

LINLITHGOW BOULEVARD

SIMLA, Sept. 20.

Delhi will have a fine new sixty feet wide promenade, if sanction is given to a proposal to build a memorial to the Viceroy to be named "Linlithgow Boulevard" It will be six and a half miles in length, running by the side of the Jumna from Delhi Gate to Okhla.

Between the Boulevard and the Delhi-Muttra Road, the area is to be turned into a park, while facilities are to be provided for bathing and boating in the river for the length of the road. New Delhi will be connected to the promenade by a road running near Purana Qil[illegible].

The scheme is estimated to cost Rs. ten lakhs.—A. P.

National Song For Schools In Sind

KARACHI, Sept. 20.

"Hindusthan Hamara", the late Sir Mohammad Iqbal's famous national song, is likely to be adopted as national anthem for all schools in Sind. A recommendation to this effect has been made to the Provincial Government by the Advisory Board for the control of Sindhi literature, appointed by them.

A committee of five experts has been set up to compile a standard Sindhi dictionary within six months.

A similar committee will collect material for the compilation of a cultural and social history of the Province.

The Board has also decided to start a library or oriental books in the city.—United Press.

Unionist Returned Unopposed

LAHORE, Sept. 19.

Mian Allahyar Khan Daultana (Unionist) has been returned uncontested to the Punjab Legislative Assembly from the Mailsi Muslim Constituency. The seat was rendered vacant by the death of Khan Bahadur Mian Ahmadyarkhan Daultana, Chief Parliamentary Secretary, Punjab.—A. P.

"Mushaara" To Be Broadcast

NEW DELHI, Sept. 20.

On Sunday, September 22, at 7 p.m. All-India Radio, Delhi, will broadcast "Mushaara"—(poetical symposium) in which well-known Urdu poets of India, noted for Ghazal writing, will participate.

The programme will be radiated from Delhi one (338.6 metres 886 KC/S and Delhi two (60.48 metres. 4960 KC/S) and will also be relayed by All-India Radio Lahore.—A. P.

THE OXFORD PACIFIST

(Continued from page 6)

text of that resolution, but shamelessly deserting humanity in its hour of need.

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If Adolf Hitler had fought all the States of Europe to regain its lost honour, they would still have remained pacifist, admiring the courage of a man who merely wanted the prestige of his country restored. But it is no longer a question of Germany fighting for honour. It has become instead a slaughter of innocents, who stood in the way of Hitler's march to world conquest and world domination. And when such is the real meaning of this war, there is no possible way by which they can adhere to what was once a sincere desire to remain pacifist—"under any circumstances."

Hitler has made it impossible for Oxford to remain pacifist, for that belief in pacifism was based on a desire to save this world from suffering and mutilation, to save homes from being broken, to save men from becoming mere corpses, to save women and children from being buried under the debris of a shattered ruin. But to preach pacifism now would be to add to the suffering of those who have been the victims of Hitler's ruthless massacre.

At no stage of his career has he shown the slightest love to preserve humanity. What he did to the Jews, who were really part of the German people showed clearly to the world that pacifism was impossible so long as he existed. Europe today to remain pacifist in face of Hitler's indiscriminate bombing, his true disregard of whole population would be to contradit the very fundamental idea on which that pacifism is based. It is no use remaining pacifist when the object of remaining pacifist cannot so be achieved. Much better then to fight and fight on for the creation of a world order where pacifism can permanently exist. that is the feeling of those who voted Pacifist at the Union on that day. As Joad points out, the Oxford Pacifist is fighting today with the conviction that it is for the common heritage of civilization.

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SHE HAS NO RIGHT TO COMPLAIN! I DIDN'T DO ANYTHING! YESTERDAY I SAT AND HELD HER HANDS FOR TWO HOURS!
MY GOODNESS, MUTT! I DIDN'T KNOW YOU WAS SO ROMANTIC!
I'M NOT-
?
IF I'D HAVE LET GO SHE WOULD HAVE KILLED ME!

Our Readers' Views

Bandra Municipal Affairs

To The Editor of "The Chronicle."

Sir,—I wish to bring to the notice of your readers the chaotic condition of the administration of the Bandra Municipality and what scant consideration its Councillors and Officers show to the genuine grievances of the residents and the rate-payers.

In your issue of Monday the 26th August, you published an interesting letter from Mr. M. S. Alreja in which he drew attention to the irregularities in the system of Municipal accounts and how the authorities have been violating the provisions of the Municipal Boroughs Act relating thereto. The negligence on the part of the authorities in allowing the accounts to drift into arrears and not publishing them in time, as is required by the Act now in force, not only deprive the rate-payers of their right to inspect the accounts but reduces the publication of accounts to a mere farce. It is scarcely necessary to add that such a practice, if permitted to continue any longer, has dangerous potentialities for mischief and will only land the municipal exchequer into serious losses.

So far in short with regard to the irregularities in the system of municipal accounts and the violation of the statutory provisions, my present purpose is to show what little interest the Councillors and the Chief and Health Officers of the Municipality evince in the health and sanitation of the town and with what abject disregard they treat the grievances of the residents and the rate-payers.

On the 16th January last, twelve residents of the Kantwadi scheme residing at St. Paul, St. Andrews and St. Francis Roads submitted a representation to the Health Officer of the Municipality inviting his attention to the insanitary condition prevailing on the plantation, behind these roads, where offensive manure was being stored in huge stacks and cultivation carried on an extensive scale. Further, the labourers working on the plantation were obliged to answer calls of nature in the open fields as no sanitary arrangements were provided. The plantation, therefore, the representation submitted, had become a breeding-place for mosquitoes and disease and a positive danger to the health of the locality.

In spite of repeated reminders sent to the Health Officer on the 17th and 21st February, 20th April, 31st May and 19th August last and the usual stereotyped post-cards received in acknowledgment of the representation and the reminders, nothing is being done to this day to afford any relief by any of the officials responsible for the health and sanitation of the town with the result that, during this period, there have been several cases of enteric and other diseases of respiratory organs. What is most surprising is that such a deplorable state of affairs should prevail despite the fact that copies of representation submitted to the Health Officer were forwarded to the President—who, by the way, is one of the leading doctors, the Chief Officer, and the two Councillors representing the Ward—Messrs. Netto and Kooka.

Before I conclude, it would not be out of place to recall the pious promises held out to the rate-payers by Messrs. Netto and Kooka when they were conducting their election campaigns at the time of the last general election and to enquire how far they have carried them out since they succeeded in securing the votes and had the honour of being returned as Municipal Councillors. It is not far distant when the electors would be called upon to exercise their right of vote and I would take this opportunity to warn them to beware of such candidates.—Yours, etc.,

"YOGINEE".

POINTS FROM LETTERS

Temples

V. J. PAREKH draws attention to the loss of umbrellas, boots and other belongings at temples and to the fact that the authorities pay little attention to this grievance. Also as these places are holy the police are forbidden entry".

War Effort

PANDIT MADHAVACHARYA says: "In my humble opinion now is the time to join the Central Government if Britain is prepared to specify the time limit for the attainment of Dominion Status and invite representatives of all political parties."

First LL.B.

S. J. BHATT says: "The decision, of the University with respect to any further First LL.B. (old course) examination, is most arbitrary. It is detrimental to the various interests of the victims".

Speed Limit

M. R. RUIA feels that the speed limit in Bombay is not being properly enforced.

The War And India

L. V. KULKARNI says: "Whether the present war will bring good or bad days to India time alone will show and it is up to every Indian patriot to be watchful and take every possible opportunity to develop the nation".

The Congress

S. D. Sharma" says:

"When the Congress is called a democratic body, the whole procedure for electing the President and his cabinet must be changed. The President must exercise his functions independently without restrictions and dictation from Mahatmaji.

Way Out

B. M. MAZUMDAR says: "I would suggest, that the question of Dominion Status or other demands may be shelved by India, at present; and that the British Government, on their part, should show their earnest for the solemnity of their promise, by immediately making the two following changes.

(1) Fix the Rupee-Sterling ratio on a new basis of one shilling four pence.

(2) Reserve the Coastal shipping for Indian ships only."

Urinals

ZOROASTRIAN says: "In your issue of last Saturday a letter is published on the necessity of erecting public urinals in the city. When I was in London last year I saw public clean and decent underground urinals everywhere. Such public urinals are badly needed in this city but care should be taken to keep them very clean and not dirty like filthy third class urinals on railway stations."

Independence

A PATRIOT says: "Don't we know that we Indians can also get our Independence from the champions of Democracy provided we ask for it in a proper way? Then why should be the delay?"

Insurance Companies

To The Editor of "The Chronicle".

Sir,—Not long ago I had occasion to enter into correspondence on behalf of my wife with one of the prominent Insurance Companies of Bombay in order to make a claim in respect of the "Paid-up" Life Insurance Policy of her deceased father.

We were advised, however, that payment could not be made until the following forms had been completed:—

1. Death Certificate to be completed by the Doctor. 2. Certificate of Burial to be completed by the person who buried or burned the body. 3. Certificate of Identity to be completed by some person knowing the deceased. 4. Form to be filled in by the employer of the deceased.

No one, of course, will dispute the necessity of all these forms, but the clause insisting that they should be signed in the presence of a Justice of the Peace caused immeasurable inconvenience, delay and expense. As a result of the clause I had to travel from place to place and person to person, pleading, requesting and flattering in an attempt to secure the necessary signature. I have been forced to demean myself to a degree I have never before experienced.

It is an amazing thing that professional, medical men should be regarded with so much suspicion by Insurance Companies that the signature of a doctor cannot be trusted unless executed under the eye of a Justice of the peace. You will readily appreciate how distasteful this must be for a doctor and you will realise how difficult it is to persuade him to sign in these circumstances.

It is equally astounding that the Municipal Death Certificate should be regarded as useless.

Further, everyone in Bombay knows that Justices of the Peace are very busy men and owing to the expense involved are not available to all. Moreover it is impossible for every ordinary man to be acquainted with a Justice of the Peace, so in order to obtain the services of one it is necessary to plead and argue with a multitude of middle men.

If the Insurance Companies are at all sympathetic towards the unfortunate widows of deceased policy holders they can simplify the procedure considerably by obtaining and filing photographs and specimen signatures of all insured members as well as their assignees. This would greatly facilitate identification which could be undertaken by the inspectors of the Companies concerned. This would remove the major difficulties involved in making a claim.—Yours, etc.,

DECCANI KAYASTHA (S. K. M.)

The Callendar Co.

To The Editor of "The Chronicle."

Sir,—We bring to the notice of the Directors of the Suburban Electric Supply Company that nearly a year is over since the war began. The prices of daily commodities have gone up much and the poor labourers are unable to bear this heavy burden with their small pay.

The Company has not even then considered giving war allowance to its maintenance staff. In the month of February a petition was sent by the maintenance staff of Callendar Company to the resident Engineer asking for war allowance. Seven months have now passed and nothing has been done.

All the staff of Killick Nixon's got substantial increase in their salaries in lieu of war allowance. Those drawing above Rs. 150 also got a good increase. Then why should the maintenance staff under Callendar Company be neglected? There is no provident fund for the maintenance staff, nor fixed grades in their salary. As the Chief Engineer and Manager is in sole charge of the Company, it is his duty to see that all kinds of facilities are given to the maintenance staff. Comparing the area of the scheme and the Company's large profits, the size of the maintenance staff is small.

Our national Labour leaders as well as Government Labour Officer should look into the matter.—Yours etc.,

"LABOUR UNION."

Character Building Plans

To The Editor of "The Chronicle".

Sir,—"Tandon Brothers" have stated in your paper dated 15-8-40 that they have some plans ready and that they want some people to co-operate. Kindly let them publish their address to make this possible. Such communications must always be accompanied with addresses.—Yours, etc.,

INTERESTED.

16-8-40

HINRICH'S MEMORIAL SHIELD

Good Game Opens Soccer Tournament

The first match in Bombay's new football competition, the Hinrich's Memorial Shield Tournament, will be played to-day on the Cooperage ground kick-off 5-40 p.m. As mentioned in these columns, all the best Bombay sides have entered the tournament promising good football throughout.

This evening's match will see the Bombay Muslims and the Heavy Battery clash. Both teams are made up of a fighting set of footballers and the contest should produce a keen struggle.

Das Cup

Parel Students failing to turn up for their match in the Das Cup Tournament on Friday, the Bombay City Police received a walk over.

Parel Football

Dass Cup—To-day—4.40 p.m. "Times of India" vs. St. Xavier's College "A" (Replay); 5-40 p.m. Bengal Club vs. W. I. A. A. Staff.

SATIRANJAN SHIELD.

Sunday—4-40 p.m.—B. E. S. T. vs. B. B. and C. I. Railway (Replay); 5-40 p.m.—Y. M. C. A. vs. Bombay City Police.

Both matches constitute the semi-final round of the tournament.

Junior Rovers Cup

WELCH WIN REPLAY

The replay of the drawn Junior Rovers Cup Football Tournament between the Welch Regiment "B" and St. Mary's Old Boy's ended in favour of the former, who won by three clear goals.

The game was not one-sided, as the score is apt to indicate. St. Mary's ex-students had a fair share of the exchanges, but were poor opportunists and failed to translate several good efforts into goals.

The Welch took the lead through Battersea in the first half and crossed over with this advantage. Battersea increased the lead to two after resuming, K. Williams completing the tally.

Poona Weather "Improving"

The following telephone message has been received from the Secretary, Western India Turf Club, Poona:—

"Governor's Cup forecast: Forecast for the next twenty-four hours:—Weather is improving; occasional light rain expected." A. P.

TO-DAY'S RACES

Cup Day Selections

(By "ORR.")

Small fields characterise the acceptances for the Governor's Cup Day Races at Poona. The weather is none too promising and the going should be on the heavy side.

The Selections for the day are:

1st Race:
BLUE MANTLE 1
BLACK MAGIC 2
PRINCESS HILAL F

2nd Race:
FANCY GLEN 1
KILCASH 2
BLUE TINSEL F

3rd Race:
DARK WINGS 1
FLAMBEAU 2
SIDE HILL F

4th Race:
GOLDEN LINK 1
LEVANT 2
TALK F

5th Race:
MATA HARI 1
FIRPO 2
FARUQ PASHA F

6th Race:
NATIONAL FLAG 1
DANCING COMET 2
PANASTER F

7th Race:
CHIEF RULER 1
KANZALLAH 2
GOLD DEPOSIT F

8th Race:
DAHMAN SURI 1
ASTAFER ALLAH 2
BANI TAMIM F

Daily Double:
DARK WINGS
NATIONAL FLAG

Daily Treble:
MATA HARI
CHIEF RULER
DAHMAN SURI

WORLD OF SPORT: HOME AND ABROAD

Visit Of Ceylonese Cricket Team Next Winter

(BY LOOKER-ON.)

With the confirmation of the visit of the representative cricket team from Ceylon next winter, propaganda has already been started in Bombay about the Captaincy of the All-India team which will meet them in this city. Isn't it too early to bother one's head about it? There are still three months and more for the match. Up to this time there has been very little cricket in Bombay or elsewhere. We should, therefore, hold our patience and wait and see how our favourites fare in the current season. It is altogether a wrong policy to name the Captain of the team at their past reputation.

SELECTION OF TEAM.

We must give a fair chance to every prospective candidate. Only those who prove their claim by force of merit should be chosen. Who can say now with any degree of certainty that so and so would be at the top of his form and in perfect health at the time of the match? The wisest thing would be to leave the choices alone till the Pentangular Season. Almost all the prominent players in the country will be assembled here and we shall have an excellent opportunity of gauging their merits and forms. Let the tug-of-war begin then instead of prejudicing the care of one of the other now.

TENNIS DISPUTE.

The controversy over the selection of the venue for the ensuing All-India Lawn Tennis Championships Tournament is still raging in some parts of the country. It was Madras turn to stage it. But the Madras L. T. A. refused to hold it on the ground that the A. I. L. H. A. would not let them have the dates they asked for. Madras wanted to hold it during the Christmas holidays. Apparently it is the most suitable season for a competition of an All-India character. But the reason which seems to have impelled the A. I. L. T. A. to turn down Madras request was that it clashed with the East India Championships which is held at Calcutta at that time every year.

As every one knows, the Calcutta tournament has developed into the most popular event in the country—so much so that it attracts players from all parts of the world. If it is shifted to some other date, it will not be able to command the public support it does now. Then the good work done by the South Club to Indian Tennis will be reduced to the minimum. That does not, however, worry Madras of the Bombay L. T. A., which has been espousing the former's cause. It is a question of principle Bombay says. There is no doubt that ordinarily the National Championships should have preference over all other competitions. Madras stands on a firm footing in this respect.

But there are other considerations which should be weighed before coming to a decision. Is the Christmas Week most suitable for Madras? If it is so, why does it not usually stage its Zonal Championships at that time? From the fact that it does so during March one is led to conclude that the latter period is most suitable for them. It is therefore intriguing why Madras is asking for a date which is not quite suitable to it. The Madras L. T. A. is sure to suffer financially, as the Bombay Association did last year, if it is allowed to hold the tournament in an odd season. It will be inviting failure from the outset.

"CALCUTTA'S ASPIRATION."

If the demand of Madras is conceded, there is no reason why a similar request from other associations when their turn come, should be turned down. The net result of it would be the East India Championships would lose its popularity and the means by which the Calcutta South Club has been rendering in valuable service to Indian Tennis. It has been said that Calcutta has been hankering after the control of the All-India Tournament for the last few years. I do not see any thing wrong about it as long as she can raise it to the pedestal it deserves. Allahabad had stunted its growth all these years. Bombay, failed to improve on it. Now let those who can help its advancement in the best way they can. Some associations have already agreed to shoulder the responsibility. I hope the most suitable one will be given the chance.

DON MCNEIL'S RISE.

Tennis lovers in India will be surprised to hear that Don McNeil, the 22-year-old Californian who toured India a couple of years ago, has conquered the World Champion, Robert Riggs, in the American Championships. His is a meteoric rise to fame like that of Ellsworth Vines, Donald Budge and Riggs himself. Ghaus Mahomed, India's No. 1, will be heartened by the fact that he gave McNeil a good fight when the American was here. Perhaps Ghaus, with equal opportunities given to him may rise higher still.

Miss Alice Marble proved to be the most outstanding woman player in the world to-day by annexing the American title for the third time in succession. Miss Helen Jacobs disputed the claim in the final with her but without success. It is a great pity the European War did not permit the Wimbledon Tournament to be held this year!

Mohendra Memorial Football

NEW DELHI, Sept. 20.

In the Mohendra Memorial Cup Football Tournament this evening Bhawanipur (Calcutta) beat Central P. W. D. by three goals to one.—A. P.

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Kusum Deshpande and Padma Shaligram as Sharmistha and Devayani in "Devayani" coming to Imperial to-day.

"Devayani" At Imperial

Padma Shaligram And Suresh Babu

The appearance of Suresh Babu and Padma Shaligram as Kacha and Devayani respectively in 'Devayani' to be shown from to-day at Imperial Cinema means a promise of good Indian music to all lovers of music. Both of them have already made great name for themselves as musicians all over India on the A. I. R. and at public concerts and as musicians they are already well-known to an appreciating public.

Among the supporting cast are Kusum Deshpande, Dinkar Kamanna the Comedian, Nimbalkar in the role of Shukracharya, Dudhale, Danve and others. The story also is well-known. It refers to the days of the feuds between the 'Suras' and 'Asuras' in which Brihaspati, the Preceptor of the 'Devas' and Shukracharya, that of the 'Danavas' were pitted against each other.

Kacha and Devayani were son and daughter of the two great Brahmins. They fall in love and on the altar of politics of those days, their love is not allowed fulfilment. It is a great plot and has been used by at least two playwrights in Marathi, one of them being K. P. Khadilkar. His play 'Vidyaharan' was most popular on the stage of the Gandharva Natak Mandali, once upon a time. It is appropriate that this story is brought to the screen by Saraswati Cinetone and Dada Torney deserves compliments on that account.

'Narsi Bhagat' Full Of Miracles

Pagnis And Durga In Fine Portrayals

In all probability, there is hardly any Cinema fan in town who has not seen "Tukaram" or "Dnyaneshwar" or "Alakh Niranjan". Perhaps, quite a large number of people have seen all these. If there are any people who have not yet seen any one of these may now see "Narsi Bhagat" at Krishna and derive the satisfaction of having seen all.

The paramount reason that compels the reviewer to say this is that this one picture contains a larger number of miraculous happenings than all the other three put together. The Prakash Pictures seem to have picturised every little legend that is current about Narsi Mehta in Gujarat and Kathiawar. God makes himself absolutely cheap to his devotees Narsi, his wife Manik and his son by appearing in person before them, whenever an earnest entreaty goes forth from them.

To rationally-minded people this does not strike as quite happy but in spite of this fact, thousands of rationally-minded people have seen 'Tukaram' and 'Dnyaneshwar' as also 'Tulsidas' and 'Alakh Niranjan'. Many more thousands will see 'Narsi Bhagat' because in respect of entertainment value, this will, possibly, outdo all the rest.

As Narsi, Vishnupant Pagnis outshines himself as Tukaram and certainly as Tulsidas. He has completely caught the spirit of these saintly characters and opposite Durga Khote as Manek, his loyal, devoted wife he cuts the most brilliant figure of his career. Durga Khote has, after a long time, secured a role that wholly fits her. Pagnis is good throughout the picture. Durga Khote's acting, when she goes into ecstasies on being addressed as 'Mother', by the image of Gopal Krishna is something exquisite. Aundhkar as Narsi's elder brother and Vimala Vasishtha as his sister-in-law give fine performances. Pande, with his 'Had ho gai' (that is the limit) is already a by-word among cine-folks.

Mr. Vijay Bhatt as director of this picture is bound to be remembered in the Cine-world as a remarkable addition to the small list of successful Indian directors.

Story Of Court Dancer's Love

Wadias' Rajnartaki To Star Sadhona Bose

A love that surpassed all barriers of caste and creed, hypocrisy and shame, a love that was devoid of all earthly desires, is the central theme of Wadia Movietone's tri-lingual picture "Rajnartaki" which is fast nearing completion.

The story which was written specially for Sadhona Bose by Manmatha Ray, an eminent author of Bengal, bears a striking similarity to the story of the abdication of the Duke of Windsor. It centres round the India of the 14th Century when His Holiness Kashishwar Goswamy of Navadvip brought the Sacred Dust from the feet of Chaitanya to be distributed among the faithful Vaishnavites in the Kingdom of Manipur, and narrates the incidents that happened in quick succession before the coronation of the Crown Prince Chandrakirti.

Sadhona Bose, who occupies a singular position in Indian Dance World, plays the Court Dancer Madhu Chhanda who was in love with the Crown Prince. She dances and sings for the Crown Prince with the same devotion of Radhika for Lord Krishna, and in his love she had found the fulfilment of her love for the Lord. When the people of the country were indignant over the love affair of their Crown Prince with the Court Dancer, she is called upon to make the great sacrifice for which the traditional Indian woman is reputed. It is here that Sadhona Bose as a screen artiste gets the fullest scope for her histrionic talents.

Modhu Bose, the well-known producer and Director, who has also produced several successful Bengali Stage shows and dramas is directing the picture "Rajnartaki" with his usual deftness and vigour. One of the strongest cast ever assembled for a motion picture forms the supporting cast of this film. Prithviraj plays the male lead in the Hindi and English versions, while Ahin Chowdhury, Pratima Das Gupta, Benita Gupta, Dr. Bibhuti Ganguli, Priti Mazumdar, Nayampalli, Jal Khambatta and Moni Chatterjee, all of proved ability and quite well-known all over the country, play important roles.

All the three versions of the film (English, Hindi, and Bengali) are being simultaneously shot, and nearly half of the picture is now complete. It is expected to be ready for release before the close of the current year.

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AN EVERGREEN RELEASE

BOMBAY FILM DIARY

CENTRAL—"San Dnyaneshwar" Prabhat's Mythological, starring Shahu Modak with Sumati Gupte, Yeshwant, etc., in Marathi and Hindustani versions. Excellent. Must be seen. (21st week).

KRISHNA—"Narsi Bhagat", Prakash's Season's Hit, featuring Vishnu Pagnis and Durga Khote, with Aundhkar, Vimala Vashishtha and Ram Marathe in Hindusthani. Full of fine songs, devotional and others, also stunts. Excellent entertainment. (2nd week).

MAJESTIC—"Savkari Pash", revival for a week, one of the best Marathi films, Aundhkar featuring.

IMPERIAL—"Devayani". Excellent musical, starring Suresh Babu and Padma Shaligram in Marathi. (First week).

MINERVA — "Bharosa," Minerva picture, starring Chandramohan, Sardar Akhtar and Mazhar Khan. Minerva's best since "Pukar". Directed by Sohrab Modi. (6th week).

OPERA HOUSE—"Musafir", Ranjit film featuring Charlie, Khurshid and Vasanti. (8th week).

PATHE—National Studios' "Woman" starring Sardar Akhtar, Surendra with Yakub, Jyoti. Excellent. Most Popular. Must be seen. (20th week).

ROXY—Bombay Talkies' "Bandhan", starring Leela Chitnis and Ashok Kumar with V. H. Desai, Suresh, etc. Very entertaining. Must be seen. (7th week).

WEST END—"Lapandav", Navyug Chitrapat Ltd.'s maiden production, starring Meenakshi, Winayak, Baburao Pendharkar and Vanmala. Excellent entertainment for Marathi-knowing Cine-goers. (8th week).

LAMINGTON — "Reshmi Sari," starring Shankar Vazre, Shanta and Moti. A Paramount production. (1st week).

Sadhana Bose in 'Rajanartaki' first English picture in India by Wadia Movietone coming shortly.

What Man Has Made Of Man?

Theme Of New Vinayak Production

Winayak who is directing and also shouldering the producer's responsibility, has nearly finished all the In-doors of "Amrut", and he will now commence the shooting of the third production of "Navayug"—a full length comedy based on "Chimanrao"—a Pickwick-like character in Marathi Literature. He will finish the indoors of this comedy also, and by this time the rains will come to a stop and he will comfortably proceed to Goa to shoot the out-doors of "Amrut."

In addition to the simultaneous shooting of these two pictures, Winayak is also speedily finishing the work of recording the major song-hits from "Amrut." He has already recorded and picturized a difficult chorus, set in the surroundings of a tavern. Fine orchestra work and appealing tunes will surely heighten Winayak's fame as a poetically minded Director, fitted to 'take' songs with a 'touch' of personality to it!

Mr. Baburao Pendharkar, one of India great character actors, is at his great heights in this picture, wherein he is playing a cobbler's role, which will be the hallmark of acting art. He is shown in the beginning, a happy family man, blessed with a devoteful, beautiful wife and a loving child. He works hard. But the shadow of evil stain the cottage and the little home, bathing in the nectar of happiness and contentment, becomes a tragic wreck.

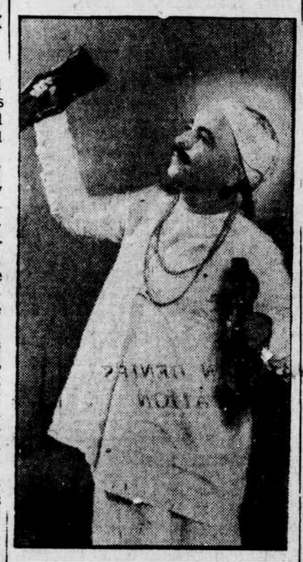
Mr. Baburao Pendharkar has scaled to tragic glories in this, and Mrs. Lalita Pawar, the talented and lively star has given him the ablest support.

Other stalwarts in support to these two veterans are Meenakshi, Salvi, Master Vithal, Damuanna Malvankar, and Winayak himself.

CONSISTENCY OF CHARACTER IN "BANDHAN"

Delicacy of characterisation is one of the finer traits that give Bombay Talkies' "Bandhan" its enormous vitality. Scenarist, director, dialogue-writer and stars have co-operated in giving the picture definite, finely drawn characters.

Headmaster Nirmal, for instance, is a kindly young man; one sees that throughout, in his behaviour with the little schoolboys. He has a sense of humour, which is noticeable when we first see him at the railway station, and again during his first visit to the Zamindar's house. He has a stout heart. We find that fact when Assistant Master Bholanath comes to him in a panic announces the ban on the Saraswati Pooja. Nirmal does not share that panic in the least. The same spirit of fortitude and clear thinking is in evidence later in a more important matter; namely, when he learns that his beloved is to be married to Suresh. Calmly, without fuss or tears, he decides that it is the best thing for him to quit the village. Not even in this moment of crisis does he lose his sense of humour.



Pagnis as Narsi Mehta at Krishna Talkies.

ARTISTIC VISION OF LIFE ITSELF

"Dnyaneshwar"—A Film For All Time

Lord Chesterfield divided books into two classes; Books of the Hour, and Books for All Time.

That classification may be extended, with equal truth, to other forms of narrative or of self-expression, including the films. There are films of the hour, and films for all time.

The films of the hour are those that touch upon a passing phase of life or of current social trends or of a topical event. They depend mainly on the technique of presentation or on star value; and their success is limited.

The picture of all time is one that treats of some profound human truth or dynamic emotion. Well produced, the popularity of such a picture is almost unlimited both in time and in extensiveness.

The epoch-making Prabhat picture "Tukaram" is an outstanding example of the Film for All time. Even now, after years since its first release, it continues to be a box-office guarantee.

Equally illustrious is the Prabhat successor to that picture—"Dnyaneshwar."

In its dynamic content, in its presentation of human values, "Dnyaneshwar" stands out unique among good films. The picture is a pattern of several designs, each of which would ordinarily be ample for a picture. Parental affection, brotherly love, courage, —physical and spiritual,—sentimental attachment; these are among the themes that this great picture presents.

"Dnyaneshwar" does not merely give what is commonly called a "slice" or "side" of life; it is a vision of Life itself.

'RESHMI SARI' AT LAMINGTON

Paramount's latest production "Reshmi Sari" is being shown at Lamington from today.

The central idea of the story stresses Woman's eternal quest of the beautiful, her ardent yearning to eat of the forbidden fruit and the distressing consequences thereof.

Shanker Vazare and Kanta play the leading roles and are supported by Moti, Bose, Puri and Ali.

Kananbala in New Theatres' 'Har-Jeet' coming shortly to Bombay.

'ALAKH NIRANJAN' AT NOVELTY

Arun's Hindi lavish mythological "Alakh Niranjan" is now being shown at Novelty Cinema. The story which is replete with engrossing and thrilling situations is based on a popular episode in the life of the famous ascetic Gorakhnath. Brilliantly presented on the screen the captivating songs by Leela, Nandrekar and others offer a delightful treat to all music lovers. The slick direction, convincing portrayals by the popular artistes, pleasant photography and spectacular sets enrich the entertainment value of the picture providing audiences with eminently enjoyable screen fare.

ARRESTING MUSIC IN "HAR-JEET"

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There are several ear-filling song numbers in "Har-Jeet" and the majority of them goes to Kanan's credit. You know what a voice Kanan has. R. C. Boral, music Director, has introduced specially new notes in this picture which suit perfectly Kanan's voice. Pahari Sanyal has also some songs to his credit. All these song numbers are certain hits and will catch in no time.

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Suresh and Shah Nawaz in Bandhan at Roxy.

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Object Of Abkari Act

TOTAL PROHIBITION CONTEMPLATED

(By B. G. KHER)

On July 17, 1939, the Government of Bombay issued a Notification to the effect that, in exercise of the powers conferred by Sub-section 2 of Section 14B of the Bombay Abkari Act they were pleased to prohibit the possession by any person of any liquor or intoxicant in the areas specified in the margin without a permit or a license issued by an Abkari officer in a Criminal Appeal—Emperor v Chinubhai reported in 42 Bom. L. R. 669,—which was heard by a Full Bench of the Bombay High Court, the validity of this notification was questioned.

In a statement which I issued to the Press on July 18, 1940, I had contended that this Judgment was erroneous. I said so because, I think it is founded on a misapprehension on the part of the Full Bench of the object of the Act which has induced them to take the view that the policy of total prohibition as a measure of social reform was never contemplated by the Legislature and that, if supported, it would bring the whole administration of the Abkari Act to an end. This is what their Lordships said:

> We have been referred in detail to the provisions of Act but we think it sufficient to say that in our opinion, the object of the Act was primarily to secure Abkari revenue though some of the Sections —for example, Section 17A and Section 35 (2) (g) and (h)—show that the Legislature intended also to confer power to control the trade in drink and drugs and to obviate abuses which might arise from such trades. We find, however, nowhere in the Act anything to suggest that the Legislature contemplated the introduction of total prohibition of intoxicants as a measure of social reform and it is obvious that such introduction would primarily make an end of the purposes of the Act. That is the consideration which must weigh with us in construing Section 14B.

That is to say, in short, their Lordships think that the main object—the primary object of passing the Abkari Act is to secure revenue for Government. This is a very erroneous view to take and it totally ignores considerations of historic development, public policy and Government's intentions as unequivocally expressed by the popularly elected Legislatures.

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State control over liquor in India can be traced from very ancient times in some form or other. The Arthashastra of Koutilya, the Manusmriti and the Firmans of some of the Muslim Rulers as also the Regulations of the East India Company will clearly show that early Hindu Kings, Mahomedan Emperors, Maratha Rulers as also the earlier British Administration gave moral principles preference over the collection of revenue in dealing with Abkari matters.

The present Abkari Act is mainly the outcome of Rules and Regulations framed in 1790 and 1793 by the East India Company, and the well-known Minutes of Sir John Mountstuart Elphinstone which define the general principles and policy in Abkari matters.

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Now let us examine some of these materials.

On September 17, 1838, a Government Resolution was issued to the effect that

> It cannot be too strongly urged upon the Collectors that the object which Government has in view is to restrain and, if possible, to diminish the total consumption of spirituous liquors, whether clandestine or licenced, being fully persuaded that any amount of revenue that may be lost by the efficiency of the system for this end will be repaid a hundred-fold in the preservation and advancement of moral feelings and industrious habits among the people.

This clearly shows that the primary object of the Act was not to secure Abkari revenue as their Lordships believe, but the preservation and advancement of moral feelings and industrious habits among the people.

On June 3rd 1874, another Resolution which was issued by Government, says "inter alia":

> If in any place, the trade cannot be carried on consistently with the just demands of the State, it must cease, though it will probably always be found that the difficulty arises from the absence of proper fiscal arrangements. It would, however, be better that the excise revenue in any such place should be sacrificed than that the officers of the Government should assume functions calculated to expose the policy of the State to misunderstanding.

On October 27, 1875, Government Resolution No. 6092 stated:

> Government has frequently enjoined on Collectors the necessity of doing all they can to discourage the extension of drinking; but it is always to be borne in mind that it is the greatest possible mistake to allow smuggling. When people have taste for liquor, they will certainly obtain it, and, if there be insufficient shops, they will smuggle.

If this is not enough to show that the principal consideration is not revenue but the advancement of moral feelings, on May 30, 1879, there is a further Government Resolution No. 2838 which says,

> The Governor in Council can only reiterate the principle that has been so often expressed by Government that Government do not desire to make any revenue from Abkari, but where there is a population habituated to the use of spirits, it may be assumed that they will find means to gratify their tastes, and if they cannot procure spirits on tolerably easy terms, they will smuggle. The Collectors, therefore, in issuing licences, should be guided by this principle.

Can anything be clearer? Government say in so many words that they do not desire to make any revenue but if there is no restriction or control, as there would be a good deal of smuggling, a double injury would result—viz.; excessive consumption of illicit liquor as also an injury to revenue. Hence they deem it necessary to control the consumption of liquor.

We have further proof of what the policy in these matters is. Another resolution dated the 19th July 1889 says:

> The principles on which Her Majesty's Secretary of State for India has more than once requested that the Excise Administration in India should be based are (1) that any extension of the habit of drinking among Indian populations is to be discouraged; (2) that the tax on spirits should be as high as may be possible without giving rise to illicit methods of making and selling liquor; (3) that, subject to these considerations, a maximum revenue should be raised from a minimum consumption of intoxicating liquors.

Does this justify the main assumption which guided the Full Bench in coming to the conclusion which they did, in the construction of Section 14B—viz., that the object of the Act was primarily to secure Abkari revenue? Let us proceed further. On the 22nd September 1883, a Government Resolution was issued to this effect,

> Facility of obtaining intoxicating liquor, no doubt, aids in increasing consumption but if a real demand in any locality is not met by a supply of taxed liquor, illicit distillation will be encouraged.

Government, therefore, enjoined that it was not right to maintain a low rate of duty on spirits for stimulating consumption. Here is a further Government Resolution dated the 11th September 1888. It says,

> There occur passages in periodical reports which read if the increase of the excise revenue was the paramount object of good administration. Revenue Officers are naturally apt to give prominence in their reports to increased revenue taking for granted that the authorities to whom the reports are addressed, will know that the increase has been obtained by successful administration on the principles insisted on by the Secretary of State.
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> But as these reports are sometimes used as basis for attacks on the administration, the Government of India share the Secretary of State's opinion that, at the risk of tedious repetition and of placing the well understood doctrine on record year after year, administrative officers and local Governments should be careful to employ language which cannot give colour to the idea that the object of the Excise Department is to increase revenue at the sacrifice of social considerations.

The settled policy of Government was, not to place temptations in the way of those who do not drink, and to discourage excess among those who do; and to the furtherance of this policy, all considerations of revenue must be absolutely subordinated. I do not think it is necessary to multiply further quotations to show what the object of the Act was. I hope that in fairness it will now be conceded that it is erroneous to say that the object of passing the Abkari Act was primarily to secure the Abkari revenue. It is unfair to the Government.

A similar Act was passed in Bengal in the year 1878 known as the Bengal Excise Act of 1878 and a reference to the case of Boistub Churn Naun and others vs. Woman Churn Sen 1880 I. L. R. 16 Cal. 436 is very pertinent. There the contention of the plaintiff's Advocate was that the Bengal Excise Act was a purely Revenue Act. He contended that the Act was primarily passed for the protection of revenue and not on grounds of public policy and a reference was made to Maxwell on Statutes. Wilson J. who delivered the judgment of the Court, stated "inter alia" as follows:

> In the first place, we should be shutting our eyes to what is a matter of common knowledge, that in this country as well as in England for many years past, from a period long before this Act was passed, public men have never supposed that the regulation of the traffic in intoxicating liquors is to be dealt with upon considerations of revenue alone
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> The preamble of the Act is a good deal wider than if the object were merely the protection of the revenue. It is this: 'Whereas it is expedient to consolidate and amend the laws relating to the manufacture, sale and possession of excisable articles' (our preamble is similar), and his lordship came to the conclusion that the Act was not framed solely for the protection of revenue, but was one embracing other important objects of public policy as well and that the penalty imposed was for the purpose of prohibition and not solely for the benefit of the revenue

I do not know if this case was cited to the Full Bench, but it goes exactly counter to the assumption made by their Lordships, which is referred to above. This construction was re-affirmed in the case of Behari Lall Shaha vs. Jagadish Chunder Shah, I. L. R. XXXI. Cal. at p. 798. The head-note is as follows:—

> The object of the Excise Act is to prohibit persons from selling or carrying on the business of selling excisable articles without a licence. The prohibition by the Act of the sale of liquor without a licence is based upon the principle of public policy and on moral grounds and the purpose of the Act is not confined to the protection of the Revenue.

From the above, I hope it will be seen that the Abkari Act is not merely a Revenue Code but a moral Code also and the collection of revenue is only with a view to discourage smuggling. A reference to Section 11 of the Bombay Act will support this conclusion. It reads as follows:

> Government may by notification in the Bombay Government "Gazette" (a) prohibit the import or export of any excisable article or of hemp into or from the Bombay Presidency or any part thereof; (b) prohibit the transport of any excisable article or of hemp.

The definition of excisable articles includes liquor. The sale of any excisable article to any person apparently under the age of 14 years is totally prohibited by Section 17A, Section 35 (2) (g) and (h) have already been referred to by their Lordships.

To say, therefore, that nowhere in the Act was there anything to suggest that the Legislature contemplated the introduction of total prohibition of intoxicants as a measure of social reform, that such introduction would virtually make an end of the purposes of the Act is, to say the least, not supported either by the preamble or by the enunciated policy or the avowed and expressed intentions of the Government in passing the Abkari Act and issuing the Notification in question before the Court. Section 14B (2) under which the Bombay Government issued the Notification in dispute reads as follows:—

> Notwithstanding anything contained in sub-section (1), Government may by notification in the Bombay Government "Gazette", prohibit the possession by any person or class of persons either throughout the whole Presidency or in any local area, of any excisable article either absolutely or subject to such conditions as it may prescribe.

Government claimed that under this clause, they were entitled to prohibit any person who did not possess a permit or a licence for possessing liquor. This contention was negatived by their Lordships because they were apparently under a misapprehension as to the primary object of the Act.

I have already shown that the assumption on the strength of which this view was taken, was erroneous. I shall now proceed to consider the other reasons, which influenced their Lordships in coming to this decision.

(TO BE CONTINUED)

No Civic Funds For Party Purposes

MADRAS, Sept. 20.

The Government of Madras have prohibited the incurring of expenditure from the funds of Municipal Councils and Local Boards for party purposes.

This ban includes the purchase of Party flags.—A. P.

Malabar Riots And After

Situation Quiet: Special Police Stationed In Area

(From Our Correspondent)

CALICUT, Sept. 20.

Apropos of the press message from Bombay that the Working Committee was gravely perturbed at the turn of events in Malabar, especially in view of the definite instructions from A. I. C. C. not to disobey prohibitory orders, the office of Kerala P. C. C. announces that they have not received any such instructions. The ban on the protest day meetings on the 15th instant was not made known to the Kerala Provincial Congress Committee.

They had not received a copy of the order.

The police are rounding up persons said be connected with Sunday's incident. Section 144 has been promulgated in various villages surrounding the place of the incident.

The situation otherwise is quiet. Special Malabar police has been stationed in various places.

Hunger-Strikers Brought To Lahore

LAHORE, Sept. 20

Tikaram Sukhan, a prominent Socialist, and Kulbir Singh, brother of Bhagat Singh, detenus, who resorted to hunger-strike in the Montgomery Jail have been brought to Lahore and kept in the family ward of the Mayo Hospital. The condition of Sukhan is reported to be serious.

The sister of Kulbir Singh has sent telegrams to the D.I.G., C.I.D. and the Punjab Premier requesting permission to interview her brother and try to persuade him to break the hunger-strike.—United Press.

Film Advisory Board

BOMBAY, Sept. 20.

The following note has been received from the Film Advisory Board:—

Mr. Chandulal Shah having regretfully tendered his resignation as Chairman owing to ill health, Mr. J. B. Wadia of Wadia Movietone, was elected Chairman at a meeting of the Board on Wednesday.—A. P.

NARIMAN DENIES INVITATION

BOMBAY, Sept. 20.

With reference to a Press message from Nagpur that Mr. K. F. Nariman has been invited to participate in the conference convened by Mr. G. S. Page, M.L.A. (Central Provinces), to be held in Bombay on September 29, Mr. Nariman informs the "United Press" that he has not received any such invitation.—United Press.

Anjuman-e-Watan President Jailed

QUETTA, Sept. 20.

Arbab Abdul Qadir, President of the Quetta branch of the Anjuman-e-Watan, has been sentenced to one year's rigorous imprisonment under the Defence of India Rules on a charge of delivering an objectionable speech at Loralai on May 5.—A. P.

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CO-OP.S TAKE UP PROPAGANDA WORK FROM AGRICULTURAL DEPT.: 1,000 WORKERS TO BE EMPLOYED AFTER TRAINING

"The new scheme of the reorganisation of work relating to rural development has emphasised the potentialities of the co-operative movement as a suitable agency for disseminating agricultural knowledge and bringing the results of specialised research within the reach of the masses" says the report on the working of co-operative societies and rural development in Bombay Province during 1938-39. "This new approach to the solution of the rural problem ought to infuse fresh life into the working of the rural primaries, if thereby it is possible to increase the earning capacity of the agriculturists".

NOT YET OUT OF WOOD

The co-operative movement, it is added, passed through another year characterised by strenuous activities by departmental officers and co-operative institutions. Several measures designed to rehabilitate the movement were adopted, but it could not be said that the movement was altogether out of the wood. The position of the non-agricultural credit movement as well as of the non-agricultural non-credit movement, was satisfactory but the position of the rural primaries continued to give cause for anxiety. The agricultural season in several parts of the Province was not very favourable and the level of agricultural prices continued very low. In addition to these factors, which had seriously affected the financial position and the repaying capacity of the agriculturist, other factors had added to the problems of the co-operative movement.

RECOVERIES

Coercive processes were suspended in several districts under Government orders and, where they were allowed, their use was subject to many restrictions. In view of this and a general impression that under the agricultural debt relief legislation, substantial remission of principal outstanding would be forthcoming, even some persons who could afford to pay back their dues were not very keen on doing so. The Government's statement correcting this impression served a useful purpose but a certain indifference to discharge obligations was noticeable and the work of recoveries was difficult.

Though the number of agricultural co-operative credit societies increased, there was a decrease in their membership—partly due to the policy of rectification and consolidation pursued by the Department and partly due to the fact that the members of the newly registered societies were smaller in number than those of cancelled societies. There was all-round progress in the working of non-agricultural societies.

The number of various types of co-operative societies increased from 5,093 in 1937-38 to 5,126 in 1938-39, and membership from 607,837 to 610,383. In spite of the order for the winding up of the affairs of the Kaira District Central Co-operative Bank, there was an increase in the membership and working capital of the Central Banks, including the Provincial Bank and the Provincial Land Mortgage Bank.

NATURE OF FINANCE

A major portion of the finance given by agricultural societies continued to be of short-term nature. The societies also advanced loans for improvement of lands and redemption of old debts, but these types of loans are now generally dealt with by Land Mortgage Banks. There was a distinct fall in the amount of loans advanced for redemption.

During the year 100 new societies were registered and 67 were ordered to be wound up. A feature was the satisfactory increase in the registration of Thrift and Credit Societies. Notwithstanding an increase in the number of societies from 3,702 in 1937-38, to 3,709 in 1938-39, there was a decrease in the total working capital.

A combination of several factors thwarted the progress of recoveries. While in several districts, including the canal tracts of Poona and Ahmednagar, there was an increase over the previous year, the figures did not show any appreciable improvement for the whole Province. Deterioration was particularly marked in East Khandesh where, owing to the unfavourable condition of the agricultural season and suspension of coercive processes, recoveries were below expectations. There was also a fall in recoveries in the Satara district.

OUTSTANDING DEBTS

The financial position of 3,687 out of the 3,709 societies was gone into and it was found that the total outstanding debts amounted to Rs. 2,52,50,931. Of this Rs. 59,48,074 was classified as "frozen debts" and Rs. 20,64,476 as "doubtful and bad debts".

IN BHIL TRACTS

A noteworthy feature of the co-operative movement in the Bhil tract in the Panch Mahals was the finance for seed and other domestic requirements of members in kind. A special agency of shop-agents has been brought into being, and supply in kind provided through the agency. The idea is to convert these agencies into purchase and sale unions.

The position of Bhil societies in the West Khandesh District was not satisfactory and, notwithstanding an increase in the membership, there was a reduction in the owned, borrowed and working capital. Fresh finance during the year was less by about 66 per cent. than in the previous year, though recoveries showed a slight increase. The position with regard to overdues, which worked out at about 91 per cent of loans outstanding, was extremely unsatisfactory.

"Past experience", says the report, "has shown that, without linking up credit with marketing, encouragement of thrift, credit societies can do only limited good to the agriculturists. In this connection during the year under report seven multi-purpose societies were started in the rural areas and they have been registered".

LAND MORTGAGE BANKS

The number of Land Mortgage Banks working in the Province at the close of the year was 14. During the year Government sanction was received for the establishment of nine more banks. There was a steady increase in the business of the banks; although all did not show uniform progress.

Five new agricultural non-credit societies were registered, while the affairs of three societies were ordered to be wound up. The report also refers to the progress made by various other societies such as cattle-breeding, dairy and fencing societies.

URBAN BANKS

Most of the Urban banks and societies worked well. A few of them gave cheaper loans for expenses in connection with the education of children of their members.

There was a further increase in the number of housing societies—from 93 to 98. Of new societies registered, four were in Ahmedabad, one in Surat and one in Kaira.

The entire propaganda work done hitherto by the Agricultural Department was transferred to the Co-operative Department and the activities of the Agricultural Department were confined to Agricultural Research and Education.

The improvement of agricultural production by popularising scientific and co-operative methods, the provision for economical and efficient marketing of agricultural produce through regulation of marketing in general and through co-ordinated co-operative marketing in particular, the organisation of supplies to the rural population through the agency of co-operative multi-purpose societies and through co-operative organisations of rural cottage industries are some of the main features visualised in the Government's new scheme of rural economic development.

For propaganda work in villages the scheme contemplates the employment of about 1,000 rural reconstruction workers after training in various subjects affecting rural life".

USE OF RED CROSS

The Defence Department of the Government of India has issued instructions regarding the use of the red cross emblem. Until further orders the emblem will only be used as follows:—

On buildings exclusively used for the accommodation of sick and wounded soldiers subject to permission being obtained from the local military authorities.

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NAGPUR, Sept. 19.

The death has occurred of Mahant Serweshwardas Ruling Chief of Nandgaon State at Calcutta yesterday.—A. P.

Mahasabha Office Opened In Madura

MADURA, Sept. 19.

The Reception Committee office of the All-India Hindu Mahasabha session to be held here in December next was opened today by Lala Ganpatrai of Delhi.

Mr. Deshpande, General Secretary of the Mahasabha who was also here in this connection, inaugurated a branch of "Ramasena Volunteer Corps" at a public meeting last evening.—A. P.

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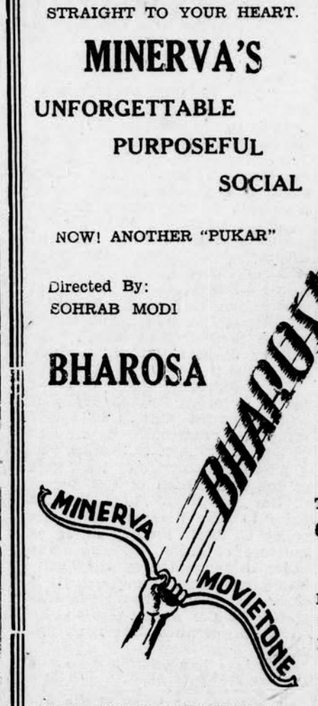

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TRADE AND FINANCE

Money Market Dull With No Demand For Funds

Gilt-Edged Market Steady

Industrial Shares Improve After Early Decline

WEEKLY MARKET REVIEWS

(From Our Special Correspondent.)

BOMBAY, Sept. 20.

MONEY.

The self-same dull conditions observable for the past several weeks persisted throughout the period under review. Day-to-day loans were quoted between 1/4 and 1/2 per cent. per annum, while 3 to 6 months' money was available around 1 per cent. The yield on Government Treasury Bills declined fractionally to Re. 0-10-8 per cent. from Re. 0-10-9 per cent. per annum in the previous week.

The weekly statement of the Reserve Bank of India made up to 13th September, 1940, indicates a fall of Rs. 88.70 lacs in the active note circulation and Rs. 59.86 lacs in the total of notes issued. There is a corresponding drop of Rs. 60.10 lacs in the Bank's holding of Rupee Coin. In the Banking Department, while the items of 'Government Deposits' as well as 'Other Deposits' are down by Rs. 26.74 lacs and Rs. 57.04 lacs respectively, those on account of Banks register a substantial rise of Rs. 264.80 lacs. The items of 'Balances held abroad' and 'Loans and Advances to Government' also record increases of Rs. 149.87 lacs and Rs. 41.00 lacs respectively.

The statement of affairs of the Imperial Bank of India, compiled upto the week ended 13th September 1940, reveals increases of Rs. 31.16 lacs in Deposits and Rs. 13.73 lacs in Investments, while Advances have declined by Rs. 213.13 lacs. The Cash holding of the Bank has gone up by Rs. 231.85 lacs.

GILT-EDGED.

There was a slight improvement in gilt-edged values during the week under review owing to continued investment demand and paucity of sellers, particularly for medium-dated bonds. 3-1/2 per cent. Rupee Paper, however, was maintained around Rs. 90, closing at Rs. 90-3, while 3-1/2 per cent. India Sterling Stock in London ruled steadier at Rs. 91-5/8. 3 per cent. 1941 bonds improved to Rs. 101-6. 4-1/2 per cent. 1955-60 loan gained from Rs. 109-14 to Rs. 110-2 and 5 per cent. 1945-55 (Tax free) loan from Rs. 112 to Rs. 112-2. 2-3/4 per cent. 1948-52 loan was listless at Rs. 95-12, 3 per cent. 1951-55 loan at Rs. 96-12 and 3 per cent. 1963-65 loan at Rs. 90-3 all through the week. 3-1/2 per cent. 1947-50 loan ruled unchanged at Rs. 101-13, 4 per cent. 1943 bonds were static at Rs. 104-3 and 4 per cent cent. 1960-70 loan at Rs. 105-7. 5 per cent. 1940-43 loan changed hands at Rs. 100-2.

EXCHANGE.

In the absence of any sizeable exports, the exchange market continued to be featureless. For interbank transactions, sellers of spot T. T. on London quoted 1s. 5-63/64d. and buyers 1s. 6d. Merchant rates fixed by the Exchange Banks' Association were unchanged as under:—

Sellers—T. T. for spot delivery and upto six months—1s. 5-31/32d.

Buyers—T. T. for spot delivery and upto six months—1s. 6-1/32d.

In the New York market, sterling kept closed near the official rate and was quoted between 401.50 and 401 cents throughout the week under review. The Shanghai dollar declined fractionally at the opening from 3-5/8d. to 3-1/2d. while the yen was static at 1s. 2-1/2d.

In London, the official buying and selling exchange rates were unchanged as under: sterling/dollar rate 402.1/2 and 403-1/2; and sterling/Swiss franc rate 17.65 and 17.75.

GOLD.

In sympathy with silver, gold opened quieter at Rs. 42-2-9, and thereafter on selling by option dealers and big bulls, the market declined to Rs. 41-11-6 on Tuesday, but steadily advanced to Rs. 41-15-9 on buying of call options and demand for the metal for conversion into sovereigns, closing at Rs. 41-13-9. Gold for delivery during End-of-September was quoted at 3 pies over spot and October settlement commanded a premium of 6 pies over End-of-Septgmber settlement. The price of sovereigns opening at Rs. 28-6, declined to Rs 28-4-6 in sympathy with gold, but advanced and closed at Rs. 28-6-0. Arrivals from upcountry were small and averaged between 8,000 to 10,000 tolas a day; floating stocks in the market are estimated to be at about 2,00,000 tolas; while the average daily offtake, including gold surrendered in exchange for sovereigns, is believed to be 3,500 tolas. The highest and lowest rates touched during the week were: Rs 42-3-3 and Rs. 41-11-6 for spot, Rs. 42-3-6 and Rs. 41-11-9 for End-of-September settlement and Rs. 42-3-6 and Rs. 41-12-3 for October settlement.

SILVER.

Opening steady at Rs 63-3-6, silver section of the local bullion market declined steadily to Rs. 62-8-6 on Tuesday, but thereafter recovered on bear-covering to Rs. 62-14-6, closing at Rs. 62-12-0. Silver for delivery during End-of-September settlement was quoted 6 pies under spot, but October settlement stood at a premium of 3 to 6 pies over End-of-September settlement. In London, cash silver moved between 23-1/2d. and 23-3/8d., closing at 23-7/16d. Two months' forward delivery opened at 3/16d. under spot, but stood at par on Wednesday and finally closed at a discount of 1/8d. Floating stocks are estimated unchanged at 7,500 bars. The highest and lowest rates touched were: Rs. 63-4-6 and Rs. 62-8-6 for spot, Rs. 63-3-6 and Rs. 62-7-6 for End-of-Stember settlement and Rs. 63-3-6 and Rs. 62-8 for October settlement.

SHARES.

Following political news from Europe, the local share market opened easier and there was a wave of selling all-round, with the result that prices declined sharply, particularly in the steel section. Tata Iron and Steel Deferreds dropped from Rs. 1,690 to Rs. 1,650 and Ordinaries lost about 6 points to Rs. 321-4. Towards the close, however, there was a better feeling prevalent in the market and prices recovered to almost the opening levels. Tata Deferreds finishing at Rs 1,682-8 and Ordinaries at Rs. 330-8. Mill shares, which were completely neglected upto this morning, witnessed a revival of activity and prices were quoted well above the minimum rates in most cases. Bombay Dyeings in which no business had been recorded for a long time were done up to Rs. 905, whilst Centuries spurted up from Rs. 250 to Rs. 265. Central Indias, however, did not show any material change and closed at Rs. 252. whilst Colaba Lands closed firm at Rs. 142-8. Gokaks moved up from Rs. 182 to Rs. 185, whilst Kohinoors were freely dealt in at Rs. 326 as against Rs 314, the lowest of the week. In the Hydro-electric group, Tata Powers were particularly strong and were in request at gradually hardening rates, the quotation registering a gain of about 50 points at Rs. 1,395. Andhra Valleys likewise moved up from Rs. 1,547-8 to Rs. 1,570. Tata Hydros improved from Rs. 168 to Rs. 171, whilst Bombay Trams were fairly maintained around Rs. 128 Bank shares were, however, comparatively less active. Bank of Indias kept in the vicinity of Rs. 133 and Central Banks showed small variations around Rs. 36, whilst Imperial Bank Fully Paids were about unchanged at Rs. 1,482-8 and Partly Paids at Rs. 360. Reserve Banks were static at Rs. 101. Amongst Railways, stray bargains were reported in Tapti Valleys at Rs. 773-12 xd., whilst Ahmedabad Prantij were almost neglected at Rs. 997-8 The miscellaneous group of shares, however, did not respond fully to the improved sentiment in the market. Belapurs continued unchanged at Rs. 200 with little or no business passing, whilst Bombay-Burmas ruled steady at Rs. 520. Associated Cements gained about a point at Rs. 115-12. Scindia Steams and New Indias were fairly steady at Rs. 19-1 and Rs. 38-8 respectively.

CALCUTTA.

Active trading characterised the Jute section of the Calcutta stock exchange, where the removal of minimum rates came as a welcome relief. Large bloc of shares were reported to have changed hands during the week. In most cases, prices were quoted much below the last rates, but the market ruled steady at the decline.

SHIPPING NEWS

IMPORTS

Bombay, Sept 20

1869 pkgs dyestuffs, paints etc; 1449 pkgs chemicals; 51 cases tools; 309 pkgs medicines; 491 pcs plates; 159 pkgs antiphlogestine; 197 pkgs radio sets and parts; 150 rolls wrapping paper; 97 bales news cardboard; 190 cases condensed milk; 182 bundles wood handles; 37 cases glassine paper; 24 cases files; 43 bales white tissue paper; 122 pkgs machinery and parts; 42 cases cinema carbons; 485 lse rubber pneum tyres and tubes; 156 cases wire nails; 240 bales news print paper; 1240 pkgs carbon black; 12 tons old and oil stained timber; 39 cases bolts and nuts; 159 bales secondhand clothing; 58 ctns syrup of figs; 64 bags sulphur; 736 bundles steel bar sized angles; 50 cases quaker oats; 460 pkgs plain galvd sheet; 493 cases printing paper; 34 pkgs raw stock film; 1000 crts pottery insulators; 75 ctns corn flakes; 183 cases motor car batteries; 222 bundles white coated cardboard; 238 cases playing cards; 35 cases bottle caps (tin and cork); 560 bundles steel sheets; 40 cases grapenut; 369 coils galvd steel wire; 2620 pkgs auto and auto truck parts, auto wheels; 62 pcs nominal bore steel pipe drive shoes; 500 bundles tissue paper; 238 ctns tar wrapping paper; 50 lse rubber tyres with rubber tubes; 226 bundles steel hoops; 1335 pkgs timber; 59 drums asphalt; 1893 bales cotton; 40 atals cloves; 41 bags coffee; 479 bags gum; 40 kegs antimony; 231 bundles gas tubes; 58 cases cardboard; 39 bales cotton fents; 96 drums glucose; 1502 bundles steel pipes; 478 pcs steel pipes.

EXPORTS

660 bales raw cotton N Nagsee and Co; 300 bales raw cotton The Nissho Co Ltd; 300 bales raw cotton Gordhandas and Co; 210 bs wool raw K Esmail; 100 bales raw cotton Konishi and Co Ltd; 300 bales raw cotton Raghavji Kanji and Co; 69 bales cotton pce goods The Tata Mills Ltd; 432 bags myrabollams J Moolchand and Co; 1500 tons manganese ore James Finlay and Co Ltd; 300 bales cotton twist waste V A Save and Co; 570 bags talcum powder D Abraham and Sons; 327 bales cotton twist waste L O Vora; 30 bales cotton pcegoods Japan Ctn Trading Co Ltd; 100 bales cotton waste L O Vora; 14 bales cotton yarn The Bombay Dyeing and Mfg Co Ltd; 34 bales cotton pcegoods B Balwant and Co; 985 bales cotton pcegoods The Bombay Dyeing and Mfg Co Ltd; 436 bales cotton pcegoods E D Sassoon and Co Ltd; 14 bales cotton yarn The National Transport Co; 3500 bales raw cotton T M Knisha Ltd; 22 bales raw wool Ralli Bros. Ltd; 850 bales raw cotton Kilachand Dev chand and Co Ltd; 500 bales raw cotton Cotton Export and Import Ltd; 200 bales raw cotton Pape, Williams and Co (India) Ltd; 1300 bales raw cotton Podar Trading Co Ltd; 200 bales raw cotton Birdy and Co; 900 bales raw cotton S R Tulshan and Co Ltd; 300 bales raw cotton B Shah and Co; 3332 bags gr nut kernals The Oil Seeds Trading Co Ltd; 100 bales raw cotton K Vishram and Sons; 100 bales raw cotton Anderson, Clayton and Co; 200 bales raw cotton Madhavdas Amersey and Co; 300 bags groundnuts L Dreyfus and Co; 3000 bales raw cotton G K Kaisha Ltd; 125 bags linseed Ahmed Oomerbhoy; 200 tons old iron scrap J M Sayani; 616 bags myrabollams P Mathradas and Co Ltd; 52 drums castor oil Greaves Cotton and Co Ltd; 678 bales raw cotton Bhaidas Mawji and Co Ltd.

POSITION OF SCHEDULED BANKS

Statement of the position of scheduled banks as at the close of business on 13th September :—

1. Demand Liabilities :	
(a) In India	155,94,05,000
(b) In Burma	7,63,39,000
2. Time Liabilities :	
(a) In India	97,55,03,000
(b) In Burma	1,56,31,000
3. Cash :	
(i) Currency notes of the Government of India and Bank Notes.	
(a) In India	6,31,43,000
(b) In Burma	95,000
(ii) Burma Notes :	
(a) In India	39,000
(b) In Burma	34,88,000
(iii) Rupee Coin :	
(a) In India	1,16,48,000
(b) In Burma	1,18,000
(iv) Subsidiary Coin :	
(a) In India	38,17,000
(b) In Burma	36,000
4. Balances with Reserve Bank	42,74,65,000
5. Advances :	
(a) In India	111,75,90,000
(b) In Burma	4,09,02,000
6. Bills Discounted :	
(a) In India	1,60,00,000
(b) In Burma	11,16,000

Comparative statement of the position of scheduled banks.

(In thousand Rupees)

	13-9-1940	6-9-1940	15-9-1939	1-9-1939
1. Demand Liabilities in India & Burma	163,57,44 (7,63,39)	161,75,70 (7,56,98)	140,22,91 (6,73,72)	141,39,78 (7,03,29)
2. Time Liabilities in India & Burma	101,11,34 (3,56,31)	101,47,18 (3,67,11)	103,74,31 (4,17,71)	106,46,46 (4,22,12)
3. Total cash in India & Burma	6,23,84 (37,37)	8,46,59 (36,88)	7,84,48 (54,26)	7,29,82 (59,37)
4. Balances with Reserve Bank	42,74,65	39,78,74	20,77,39	25,27,75
5. Advances in India & Burma	115,84,92 (4,09,02)	116,70,45 (3,98,73)	110,74,33 (4,03,43)	106,65,08 (4,12,92)
6. Bills discounted in India & Burma	1,71,16 (11,16)	1,77,48 (11,58)	3,68,75 (29,15)	3,88,74 (29,45)

(Burma figures are shown in brackets)

CENTRAL BANK OF INDIA LTD.

Following is the statement of liabilities and assets of the Central Bank of India, Limited, for the fortnight dated 15th September 1940 :—

LIABILITIES	Rs.
Capital subscribed Rs. 3,36,00,000	
Capital paid-up	1,68,00,000
Reserve and Contingency Fund	87,00,000
Deposits, Debts due to Banks and Agents, Bills Payable etc.	31,92,42,000
Sundries including Branch Adjustments	5,24,55,000
	Rs. 39,71,97,000

ASSETS	Rs.
Cash Credits and Overdrafts on Government and Other Authorised Securities	9,17,01,000
Loans on Government and Other Authorised Securities	3,60,72,000
Bills Discounted	1,08,70,000
Lands and Buildings	1,17,57,000
Sundries including Branch Adjustments	4,16,46,000
Cash in hand, at Banks, Moneys at Call and Investments in War Bonds, Government Paper, Treasury Bills, Shares, Debentures etc.	20,51,51,000
	Rs. 39,71,97,000

BOMBAY WAR GIFTS FUND

Give Quickly & With Both Hands

Sir Homi Modi, Chairman of the Bombay War Gifts Fund Committee, has issued the following appeal:—

"The war has entered an intensified stage, and Great Britain is fighting the battle of freedom with a heroism which has evoked the admiration of the world. From the most distant quarters practical expressions of sympathy are welling up to the British people in their hour of trial. Bombay has not been unmindful of her obligations at this supreme juncture, but there are thousands of her citizens who have yet to make their contribution. May I appeal to them to play their part in the common task of liberating the world from the scourge which threatens it? It is, after all, a very small part that we who have been spared so far the horrors of war are called upon to play. Let those, therefore, who want to give, give quickly and with both hands. The need is great, and Bombay's response must be commensurate with it and worthy of her great traditions.

The fund receives contributions for: 1. The I. A. F. 2. The R. A. F. 3. Any humanitarian or non-combatant purpose."—A. P.

Heavy Rains In Surat

SURAT, Sept. 20.

(From Our Correspondent).

Throughout last night, it was raining heavily. During the past 24 hours there has been nine inches of rain. Last night's rainfall alone recorded five inches. Total rainfall till this morning is 53 inches.

It is said, the present showers are welcome to the crops.

NO OFFICE WORK AFTER SUNSET

Bengal Govt.'s A. R. P. Scheme

CALCUTTA, Sept. 19.

The closing of offices before it becomes necessary to work by artificial light has been suggested by the Government of Bengal as a solution of the traffic problem as well as the office lighting problem, which might arise in the case of a possible air raid in the city and suburbs.

The Area threatened, according to the Government, covers the whole of Calcutta and the industrial area of 24 Parganas, Howrah and Hooghly.

In making the suggestion to the various chembers of commerce the Government states that in order to relieve the pressure on the roads it is proposed that offices should as far as possible be closed before it becomes necessary to work by artificial light.

If this proposal is given effect to, it would go far to solve the traffic problem as well as the office lighting problem. In many offices work might be arranged as not to necessitate work by artificial light during the emergency period.

The Government further states that they have accepted the suggestion for taking steps to ensure that work may be possible by artificial light in essential rooms. In all offices under them located in the threatened area.

The Government in conclusion invites the co-operation of all commercial offices in making the "black out" a success in the case of an air-raid emergency.—A. P

Rs. 5,000 FOR WAR FUND

NAGPUR, Sept. 20.

Mr. Krishnarao Chitnavis, son of the late Sir Shankar Rao Chitnavis of Nagpur, has donated Rs. 3,000 to the Provincial War Fund. Rs. 2,500 of this has been earmarked for His Excellency the Governor's Aeroplane Fund.

Mr. Chitnavis has also donated Rs. 2,000 towards the Viceroy's War Purposes Fund. Out of this amount Rs. 1,500 is to be given to the Lord Mayor's Fund for the relief of sufferers from air-raids. —A. P.

MODEL UNIVERSITY FOR SIND

Experts To Tour India And Study Working Of Various Universities

KARACHI, Sept. 20.

The Government of Sind have appointed two sub-committees of experts to tour the various porvinces in India to study the working of Universities in the country and make a report thereon to enable the authorities to start a model University in the Province.

One sub-committee consists of Dr. H. M. Gurbaxani and Prof. T. M. Advani, while the other consists of Dr. Mirchandani and Prof. B. J. Vaswani. The former will visit the Punjab, the United Provinces and Bengal, and the latter, Bombay, Madras, the Central Provinces, etc. The work is to commence from next month.—United Press.

VILLAGE HEADMAN'S THRILLING FIGHT WITH DACOITS

Captures Two But Is Himself Seriously Injured

KARACHI, Sept. 19.

Jamun Khan, headman of the village Thana Shab Beg, near Karachi, has been admitted into hospital with several bullet wounds on his person. His condition is described as critical.

It is stated that a party of six dacoits ransacked a Hindu's [illegible] and were leaving the [illegible] when the headman chased [illegible] on horseback. He had to [illegible] a bullet barrage, but succeeded in capturing two of the dacoits and recovering the property from their possession.—United Press.

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Congress Secretary's Circular To Provincial Committees

The General Secretary of the Congress has issued a circular to all Committees asking them to popularise the decisions of the A. I. C. C. and cautioning them against any processions, hartals, or speeches against recruitment or contributions to the War Fund.

Mr. J. B. Kripalani, General Secretary of the All-India Congress Committee, has sent a circular to all Provincial Congress Committees enclosing two resolutions passed by the All-India Congress Committee and the Working Committee the first of which reverses the Poona decision, while the second resolution calls on all Congress organisations to suspend Civil Disobedience, individual or otherwise.

The General Secretary directs all Provincial Congress Committees to call meetings to explain these resolutions and their full implications. Such meetings should be addressed by select speakers and speeches must be confined to the matter of the resolutions.

The circular adds, "There should be no all provincial day or processions or hartals. In no case must the explanation of the resolutions be made an occasion to develop into anti-recruitment and anti-war contribution propaganda."

"Such restraint on the part of Congressmen", says Mr. Kripalani, "is necessary for the forthcoming interview between Mahatma Gandhi and the Viceroy. Mahatma Gandhi approaches the interview with his usual optimism and faith in human nature. It behoves us to show the same faith. By doing so, we shall lighten the heavy burden that rests upon our leader."

The circular concludes, "The period of preparation must be utilised in intensifying the constructive programme."—A. P.

IRAQ'S DEMANDS ON VICHY GOVT.

Intervenes In Syrian Affairs; Asks For Restoration Of Constitutional Life

CAIRO, Sept. 20

The Arabic News Agency, the "Agence D'Orient", learns from a good source in Syria that the Government of Iraq has actively intervened in Syrian affairs and has requested the Vichy Government to defend the interests of Syrians and the peoples of the Lebanon.

The Agency adds that the Iraqi Government is reported to have submitted a Note to the Vichy Government embodying certain demands including the restoration of constitutional life in Syria and Leb[illegible]

CA[illegible]ATCHES SYRIAN [illegible]UATION.

Closest [illegible]ntion is being given in Cairo [illegible]velopments in Syria where, acc[illegible] to the meagre news items [illegible]h pass through the rigid cens[illegible]ip, the inhabitants are showing increasing enmity towards the Italian Armistice Commission.

THAILAND'S DEMAND ON VICHY

Thailand has presented another territorial demand to Indo-China though the Vichy Government had rejected the previous demand.—Reuter.

Mrs. Vimala Pant, wife of Prof. G. B. Pant of Benares Hindu 'Varsity, who was recently nominated by the U. P. Government to Benares District Board of which she is the youngest member.

Breakaway From Vichy

Dramatic Events In New Caledonia

NOUMEA, (New Caledonia), Sept. 20.

In dramatic fashion New Caledonia has made a breakaway from the Vichy Government and joined General de Gaulle. A huge demonstration forced the Acting Governor-General Denis to resign. There were emotional scenes and M. Santot, Resident-General of the New Hebrides and leader of the de Gaulle Movement in the Pacific, took control.

Addressing the crowd M. Santot said, "The French Empire is not conquered. We must rally to the cause and not depend on Hitler's goodwill but stand alongside Great Britain whose whole aim is to save France."—Reuter.

ROGER COMMISSION ARRIVES IN CITY

Will Tour Country And Inspect Factories And Military Depots Before Assembling In Delhi For Eastern Group Conference

Members of the Roger Mission, most of whom arrived in Bombay to-day, will, it is announced, after staying for four or five days in Bombay, undertake tours of inspection of Government factories or factories engaged on Government work in various parts of India.

Sir Alexander Roger with the greater part of the Mission will visit factories in Bombay, Madras, Bengal, United Provinces, Bihar and Central Provinces. Two days will be spent at Kirkee, one day at Aravankadu one day at Jubbulpore, two days at Tatanagar, a week in Calcutta and one day in Cawnpore.

Small technical sections of the Mission will carry out independent tours to visit factories, repair organisations and military depots for handling the technical subjects with which they are concerned. Provinces visited by these sections will include those visited by the main party of the Mission, and the Punjab, where visits will be paid to Lahore and Chaklala.

It is expected that the Mission as a whole will assemble in New Delhi in time for the deliberations of the Easern Group Conference, which is due to open on October 25.—

J. B. Pandya From Kenya As Adviser

SIMLA, Sept. 20.

The following are the members of the East African Delegation including advisers who will be attending the Eastern Group Conference in Delhi in October:—

Sir Philip Mitchell, K.C.M.G., M.C., late Governor of Uganda and Chairman of the East African Economic Council, Major F. W. Cavendish Bentinck, Chairman, Kenya Production Board and Member, Kenya Executive and Legislative Council, Mr. G. F. Clay, O.B.E., M.C., Director of Agriculture, Uganda, Mr. J. B. Pandya, Indian Member of Kenya Executive and Legislative Council, Mr. J. H. McQuade, Commissioner of Customs, Tanganyika and Mr. Barclay Leechman, Secretary.—A. P.

Defence Of India Act Victims

Sir Nazimuddin On Allowances To Externees And Internees

CALCUTTA, Sept. 20

The policy of Bengal Government in regard to the question of grant of family and personal allowances to persons detained and externed under the Defence of India Rules is explained by Sir Nazimuddin, Home Minister in a lengthy statement.

He says that so far as persons, who were externed under the Defence of India Rules are concerned. Government's policy is that they may get an allowance, provided they reside in the province of Bengal provided that they do not take part in subversive activities and provided further that their circumstances are such that Government think that an allowance is necessary. In any event, it will be a personal allowance to persons externed, and no allowance to the family of the person externed.

So far as persons detained under the Defence of India Rules are concerned, the Home Minister states, there is no question of personal allowance being given to these persons. But in exceptional circumstances, the family of the detained person may be given an allowance where circumstances are such that it will be an extreme case of hardship, if no such allowance is given to the family.—A. P.

BENGAL M. L. A. JAILED

CALCUTTA, Sept. 20

Mr. Bankim Mukherjee, a member of the Bengal Legislative Assembly, was sentenced to eighteen months' rigorous imprisonment and a fine of Rs. 500 in default to undergo six months' imprisonment more under the Defence of India Rules, by the Additional District Magistrate, Alipore for delivering an Urdu speech at Hazara Park on April 13 during the Jalianwallabagh Week.—United Press.

JHANSI CONGRESSMEN ARRESTED

JHANSI, Sept. 20.

Mr. Gangadhar Joshi, President of the City Congress Committee, has been arrested to-day under the Defence of India Rules for making an alleged objectionable speech at Mauranipur, where a political conference was held recently. The police also searched his residence.

Bansgopal, a Congressman, has been arrested to-day under the Defence of India Rules for delivering an alleged seditious speech at Mauranipur Conference.—A. P.

Arrested At Lahore

LAHORE, Sept. 20

Rajban Singh, a Socialist, was arrested last night under the Defence of India Rules. After three hours' search of his residence some alleged objectionable literature was seized.—United Press.

Arrested At Tata Nagar

LAHORE, Sept. 20

Buja Singh, a Socialist, arrested at the Tata Nagar under the Defence of India Act, was brought here this morning. He is being detained here as a war prisoner.—United Press.

Socialist's Sentence Reduced

LAHORE, Sept. 20

Mr. Justice Kemp of the Lahore High Court gave judgment today upholding the conviction but reducing the sentence to that already undergone in the appeal of Munshi Ahmed Din, General Secretary of the Punjab Congress Socialist Party, who had been sentenced by a Rawalpindi Magistrate to six months' simple imprisonment on charge of delivering a seditious speech.

It may be recalled that Munshi Ahmed Din was recently sentenced to eighteen months' rigorous imprisonment by a Sargodha Magistrate under the Defence of India Act.—A. P.

EMINENT ANTHROPOLOGIST DEAD

LONDON, Sept. 20.

The death has occurred of Professor Charles Gabriel Seligman, eminent anthropologist who had made extensive studies of life in India, Ceylon, Sudan, New Guinea, Borneo and Africa.—Reuter.

House Searches & Arrests At Tellicherry

TELLICHERRY, Sept. 20.

Mr. K. Krishnan, a Congress volunteer officer of Kallai, and three others have been arrested under rule 56 of the Defence of India Act and sections 147 and 332, I.P.C., in connection with the incidents at the "Protest Day" meeting on September 15.

Mr. Krishnan's house was searched and some leaflets are reported to have been removed by police. The house of Mr. P. K. Madhavan, Secretary of the Tellicherry Town Congress Committee, was also searched.—United Press.

Jail For Five Forward Bloc Volunteers

MEERUT, Sept. 20.

The City Magistrate has sentenced five Forward Bloc Volunteers to one year's rigorous imprisonment each under the Defence of India Rules.

During trial, it was stated that they marched in a procession shouting "anti-war" slogans.—A.P.

Arrest Of Congress Socialist

RATNAGIRI, Sept. 20.

Bhai Tendulkar, a Congress Socialist, was arrested this afternoon here under the Defence of India Act in connection with a speech delivered by him at Chiplun last month.—A.P.

Co-operation In Defence Between English-Speaking Countries

Cordell Hull Holds Parleys With Representatives Of British Empire

NEW YORK, Sept. 20.

According to the Washington correspondent of the "New York Times", conversations have been going on between the United States Government and representatives of the British Empire as to the possibility of informal but closer co-operation between English-speaking parts of the world, particularly with regard to the joint use of air and naval bases for mutual defence.

These talks, it is learned in diplomatic circles, have been carried on by Mr. Cordell Hull jointly with Lord Lothian and Mr. Casey, the Australian Minister in Washington. It is stressed that they are still in the preliminary stages. No decisions have been asked for or taken and no commitments made on any side.

The possibility as to whether arrangements for the use of bases embracing South Africa, Australia and New Zealand would not be mutually beneficial is now being explored, the Correspondent continues.

Diplomatic circles in Washington say that what is being discussed is merely an arrangement on the use of bases which might be handled by executive action as far as the United States are concerned. No final decision is expected until November.

It is learned that fairly completed information held by the United States and Britain on the situation in various parts of the world has been exchanged in the current conversations.—Reuter.

Millowners' Plea Set Aside

AHMEDABAD, Sept. 20.

The dearness allowance recommended by the award of the Industrial Court dated April 26. 1940 should be paid to all clerical and supervisory staff, pattawallas, watch and ward men, supervisors, jobbers, mukkadams as well as part-time workers such as reelers, etc., whose pay does not exceed Rs. 75 except people employed by contractors doing work in connection with the textile industry.

This is the decision pronounced by the Industrial Court on the application filed by the Textile Labour Association under rule 64 of the Bombay Industrial Dispute rules, for an interpretation of the award given by the Industrial Court.

The Textile Labour Association submitted that the award of the Industrial Court covered all employees employed in the Textile Industry including clerks, sepoy, line jobbers and other jobbers while the Millowners' Association contended that the award covered only such workers as are in the permanent employment of the mills for full time and it did not cover certain categories such as clerks, line jobbers, other jobbers, etc.—A. P.

Australia's New War Angle

More Recruitment & Plans For Troops' Transfer To Middle East

MELBOURNE, Sept. 20.

Plans for the future of the Australian Imperial Force have been "recast," it is authoritatively stated, following a reference by Mr. Menzies to a new "war angle" for the Australians.

The new plans, it is stated, include firstly the probable resumption of recruiting before the end of this year to continue for the duration, secondly the possible early dispatch of a Seventh Division, thirdly acceleration of training of an Eighth Division, fourthly possible formation of a Ninth Division, fifthly concentration of supplies and equipment in the Middle East, enabling Faster transfer of Australians to the main theatre of war.—Reuter.

Australians For Middle East

MELBOURNE, Sept. 19.

A hint that recruiting for the Australian Imperial forces might begin again soon was given by Mr. Menzies in a speech here today. He said that Australian troops would soon be in combat with the Italians. The war was discovering a "new angle" for the Australians. The time was coming when they would be asked more and more to reinforce troops in the Middle East and build up the military force there. This was necessary to keep the gateway to Australia open and prevent Italy, Germany's helper, from overrunning the Mediterranean.—Reuter.

The Half-Column By "Dim"

Yesterday I lunched at the Taj with some friends. At the tables around us were groups of British officers, tucking in curry and rice. I had nearly finished coffee when a middle-aged man in his thirties leant over and said: "Straithaird 1937", I looked at him closely—and I remembered his face, though his khaki uniform made it look so very different. I remembered then that I had played bridge with him on board ship, with Howard Jacobs, the dance-band conductor and a Michael Arlenish figure with a thin almost pencilled moustache and padded shoulders, a Jew who had played bridge in the gold cup with Laederer.

We talked a little. He asked me my name and as I uttered it, there sprang to his feet a younger man next to him, who had his back to me. "Good God", he said, "we were at Oxford together. There's where we first worked for our entrance exam.". I knew him then—De M. . —one of those who went merrily through Oxford, staying, as it were, at the House, and patronising some of the best vintages of James Brown—in that little street off the Turl.

De M...!—now in Highland kilt, an officer in a regiment that was not merely for show. De M. . whom by no stretch of imagination could I have ever seen again, now sitting back to back at lunch. De M. . .who belonged to the Oxford of the Pacifist resolution. He had joined up recently and had that look on his face of not knowing where he was going or why or how but that he was also doing his bit for a country he loved so much.

That was as it were an example of the call that Britain made to its men and when I saw him in his uniform, one star across the shoulder (though he told me he had risen from the ranks) I got a glimpse of what this war has meant to Britain, and how like a man its sons had rallied to its side.

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